

January 13, 2009

The Merrick County Board of Supervisors convened as Merrick County Board of Equalization, Tuesday, January 13, 2009 at 9:00 a.m., Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Euse, Hahn, Husmann, Jefferson, Schneiderheinze, Schuett, and Weller present. Also present was Deputy County Clerk Trisha Fate-Strobel. Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. Proof of publication is filed in the Clerk's office. Copies of the agenda were mailed to each supervisor and kept current and available to the public at the County Clerk's office.

Chairman Schuett declared the meeting was preceded by publicized notice and having acknowledged and identified the location of the posting of the current copy of the Open Meetings Act called the meeting in open session at 9:00 a.m. Euse led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Moved Husmann, second Jefferson to convene as Board of Equalization at 9:00 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

AGENDA: Moved Euse, second Husmann to accept the agenda as certified by the County Clerk. Roll Call: All Ayes.

MINUTES: Moved Husmann, second Euse to approve the minutes as published. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Tax Correction: Deputy Assessor Lani presented a tax correction for Lyle Gee correction #3505 stemming from TERC. The taxes will lower by \$91.86. Moved Husmann, second Hahn to have the chairman sign tax correction #3505. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Moved Euse, second Hahn to adjourn as Board of Equalization at 9:05 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/Herman Schuett, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, Merrick County Clerk

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The Merrick County Board of Supervisors met Tuesday, January 13, 2009 at 9:05 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Euse, Hahn, Jefferson, Husmann, Schneiderheinze, Schuett, and Weller present. Also present was Deputy County Clerk Trisha Fate-Strobel

Moved Weller, Second Hahn to convene as Board of Supervisors at 9:05 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

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Husmann said that Bill Bolte with SPPD had told him the light at the intersection of Highway 92 and the Archer turn off had been shot out with a high power rifle. This is the second time recently that this light has been shot out. Bolte told Husmann that it would cost over \$200.00 to replace and fix the light and that SPPD could not afford to keep doing this for that amount of money. Merrick County rents the light from SPPD. County Clerk Wichmann told the board that Bolte had come to her office with pictures and that she had given them to Jim Graves who was going to talk to NIRMA, the county's insurance company about it. Graves said that NIRMA said if there was frequent vandalism then they would pay, but until then it was the county's responsibility. Weller asked that the light on the intersection of the Archer turnoff on Highway 92 be put on the next agenda.

Chairman Schuett called reorganization for 2009.

Chairman Schuett called for nominations for Chairman. Weller nominated Jefferson and Jefferson nominated Schuett.

Moved Hahn, second Husmann that nominations cease. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Paper ballots were passed out and the vote was Jefferson four votes and Schuett 2 votes, one abstained. Elected to Chairman for 2009 was Jefferson.

Chairman Jefferson called for nominations for vice chairman and Euse nominated Husmann and Schneiderheinze nominated Schuett. Moved Hahn, second Husmann to cease nominations. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Paper ballots were passed out the vote was Schuett four votes and Husmann three votes. New vice chairman for 2009 is Schuett.

Moved Euse, second Husmann to set the 2009 regular meeting schedule for the Board of Supervisors and Board of Equalization second and fourth Tuesdays of the month. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Moved Hahn, second Husmann to designate the Bank of Clarks, located in Clarks, NE, Farmers State Bank, a branch of Bank of Clarks, located in Silver Creek, Central Bank, Cornerstone Bank, and Pinnacle Bank-Central City, located

in Central City, and Pinnacle Bank-Palmer, located in Palmer as County Depository Banks for Merrick County. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Moved Weller, second Husmann to observe 12 ½ days for holidays in 2009. The ½ day being Christmas Eve when the courthouse will close at noon. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Moved Weller, second Euse to adopt blanket bond of Nebraska Intergovernmental Risk Management (NIRMA) insured under Certificate of Insurance Master Policy #N-CR0607-46, Producer NIRMA, Nebraska Intergovernmental Risk Management Association, A Risk Management Pool, Lincoln, NE. Said blanket bond continues as long as Merrick County is a member county of NIRMA and said Master Policy #N-CR0607-46 remains in effect. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Moved Husmann, second Hahn to appoint County Clerk Wichmann as the NIRMA contact person. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Moved Euse, second Schuett to appoint Mike Meyer as Merrick County Highway Superintendent and to designate him to negotiate Right-of-Way agreements for Merrick County for 2009. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Moved Husmann, second Schuett to appoint Mike Meyer to the advisory committee for the NRD. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Moved Weller, second Husmann to set the E-911 surcharge at \$1.00 for 2009. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Schuett asked for a volunteer as an alternate for the Mid Plains Center for Behavioral Healthcare Services, Inc. as there is no alternate. Husmann volunteered to be the alternate. Moved Husmann, second Weller to appoint board members to the following committees and boards:

Boards:

Bader Park: Schuett and Husmann

Central Nebraska Community Advisory: Hahn

Central Nebraska Community Services: Hahn

Central Nebraska Joint Housing Authority: Hahn

Central Platte NRD: Jefferson

CPAC: Husmann and Euse

Emergency Management: Euse, alternate Jefferson

Hall County Airport Authority Steering Committee: Husmann

Merrick County Development Inc.: Weller, alternate Hahn

Merrick County Health Board: Husmann, alternate Jefferson

Midland Area Agency on Aging: Schneiderheinz, alternate Schuett

Mid-Plains Center for Behavioral Healthcare Services, Inc.: Schuett, alternate Husmann

Mid-Nebraska Individual Services: Weller

Region III: Jefferson

Senior Center: Hahn and Schneiderheinz

South Central NE RCD: Husmann

South Central Economic Development District (SCEDD): Weller, alternate Euse

Committees:

ADA: Jefferson, Schuett, Weller

Auditor: Hahn

CAAP: Schuett, Husmann, Schneiderheinz

Enhanced 911: Husmann, Euse

Finance: Schneiderheinz, Euse, Weller

Handbook: Weller, Hahn

Land & Building: Hahn, Schneiderheinz, Euse

Order of Business: Husmann, Weller, Hahn

Personnel: Hahn, Schneiderheinz, Euse

Printing: Husmann, Schuett, Euse

Purchasing: Hahn, Jefferson, Weller

Reappraisal: Weller, Hahn, Schneiderheinz

Review: Jefferson, Husmann

Safety: Weller

Wood River/Warm Slough Flood Control Project: Schuett, Euse, Husmann

ALL MEMBERS SERVE ON THE BUDGET, ROAD, and WEED COMMITTEES and BOARD OF

CORRECTIONS. (NOTE: First name on committee will serve as chairperson of the committee)

Roll Call: All Ayes.

Agenda: Moved Weller, second Husmann to approve the agenda as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Minutes: Moved Weller, second Hahn to approve the minutes as presented and published. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Meeting Reports: Husmann attended the Central District Health meeting. Hahn attended the Central Nebraska Housing Authority meeting in Loup City.

Officials Report: Treasurer Dunham said that she did a wire transfer payment for the interest on the courthouse building bond of \$38,249.38. In July, there will be a payment on the principal made in the amount of \$65,000.00 plus interest. Dunham said that tax collection went well. Dunham also presented the board with the semi-annual report for the finance committees signatures and approval. Moved Husmann, second Weller to approve the semi-annual report from the Treasurer and to have the finance committee sign it. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Weed Control: Jerry Wilhoft brought a new pharagmites report to be signed by chair because he thought he had estimated to high on the first one.

RESOLUTION 2009-2: Moved Euse, second Husmann to have the chairman sign RESOLUTION 2009-2 giving Jerry Wilhoft, Weed Control Superintendent the authority to serve individual notices to landowners whenever needed. Roll Call: All Ayes. RESOLUTION 2009-2 is on file in Clerk's office.

Planning & Zoning: Jennifer Myer, Planning & Zoning Administrator said that someone needed to be appointed to the Planning and Zoning committee as Bill Stovall resigned. Moved Weller, second Husmann to appoint Dennis Joseph to the Planning & Zoning Committee. Myer said that someone is still needed for the Village of Silver Creek. Myer said that she and County Attorney Curry had rewritten the regulations to ban bio-degradeable materials. Myers said there will be a public hearing on Thursday, January 15, 2009. Weller said that he had gotten a call from a lady who was in favor of the materials being used and had talked to another that had no problem with the materials.

Mike Meyer, Highway Superintendent told the board he had received a phone call about the closing of "Z" Road. Caller said that he did not get the papers and just heard about it. He wanted to know what it would take to get the road reopened. Caller said he used the road for four wheeling and horseback riding. Meyer said that he was going to give the caller the information needed to let them know what is needed to try to reopen the road.

RESOLUTION 2009-1: The reason for RESOLUTION 2009-1 is to set up a flood plain administration. The resolution is a general statement of administration consisting of a flood plain administration and a planning & zoning administration. Moved Husmann, second Hahn to have the chairman sign RESOLUTION 2009-1. Roll Call: All Ayes. RESOLUTION 2009-1 is on file in the Clerk's office.

Security on 2nd Floor: Midwest Glass Service, Inc. came to measure and look at what it would take to install safety glass in the offices on second floor and a lock on the door between the Treasurer and Clerk's offices. They gave three options for safety glass. Option one is for ¼ inch clear tempered glass with 60 inch edge polished. This would give and 8 inch space from the counter top to the bottom edge of the glass, cost for glass only \$80.00 each. Option two is for ¼ inch clear tempered safety glass with 60 inch edge polished and 2 to 4 inch diameter speak holes. This would give you an 8 inch space from the counter top to the bottom edge of the glass, cost for glass only \$185.00 each. Option three is for two pieces of ¼ inch clear tempered safety glass with exposed 60 inch edges polished with 2 inch space between the glass, cost \$110.00 per opening. The labor to install tempered glass in the Treasurer and Clerk's offices was \$250.00. The price does not include any wood stop or trim for the glass installation. For the Assessor's office partition posts are available, but they did not recommend using that system on a split, moveable counter. The counter area should be fastened together and secured to the floor. Deputy Assessor Lani said that the Assessor's office was not interested in getting any safety glass installed, but would like a swinging door between the wall and counter. For the door between the Treasurer and Clerk's offices a door opener with two push pads would cost approximately \$1,600.00 plus electrical. If a card reader is needed, they can be purchased at Johnson Hardware in Omaha. Option two is similar to what County Court has. Weller said that the safety committee was meeting this afternoon and the officials will have a meeting next week. He would like this tabled until the meetings are over.

The heating and air conditioning is not efficient enough for what is needed. Three sunheaters have been purchased to heat the vault in the Treasurers office, the Highway Superintendent and Surveyors office, and the vault in the County Clerk's office. Moved Euse, second Hahn to have the County Clerk write a letter to Provanda's office about the heating and air conditioning system. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Treasurer Dunham told the board that the railing down the back stairway outside is very loose and the cement holding it in is breaking apart. It is not sturdy enough.

The January 2009 claims were presented to the board for approval:

Moved Weller, second Euse to approve the January 2009 claims as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.
The December 2008 fees from the Clerk of the District Court, Sheriff, and County Clerk were submitted to the board for signatures and approval. Moved Husmann, second Schuett to approve the December 2008 fees. Roll Call: All Ayes.
Moved Weller, second Euse to adjourn at 12:00 noon. Roll Call: All Ayes.
/s/John Jefferson, Chairman
/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk

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January 27, 2009

The Merrick County Board of Supervisors met Tuesday, January 27, 2009, at 9:00 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Euse, Hahn, Jefferson, Husmann, Schneiderheinze, Weller and Schuett present. Also present was Deputy County Clerk Trisha Fate-Strobel and County Clerk Marcia Wichmann.

Moved Weller, Second Euse to convene as Board of Supervisors at 9:00 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes

Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. Proof of publication is filed in the Clerk's Office. Copies of the agenda were mailed to each Supervisor and kept current and available to the public at the County Clerk's Office.

Chairman Jefferson declared the meeting was preceded by publicized notice and having acknowledged and identified the location of the posting of the current copy of the Open Meetings Act, called the meeting to order and in open session at 9:00 a.m.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by Schuett.

Agenda: Moved Euse, Second Hahn to approve the agenda as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Minutes: Moved Husmann, Second Hahn to approve the January 13, 2009 minutes. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Meeting Reports: Hahn attended the Central NE Community Service Meeting in Loup City. Weller attended the Merrick County Development Corporation meeting, the Mid NE Individual Services meeting and the Officials Meeting. During the Officials Meeting held January 20, 2009, one issue discussed was the security and safety issues on the second floor and Weller is still waiting on the amounts between the treasurer and clerk's offices for the glass windows. Schuett attended the Mid-Plains Center for Behavioral Health Services. Schuett, Weller and Jefferson attended the Bader Park Meeting. Husmann attended the Health Board meeting and Jefferson attended the Mid-Plains Center Committee Region 3 on Mental Health and Human Services.

Official Reports: Planning & Zoning Administrator, Jen Myers came before the board to report on the public hearing which was held Thursday, January 15, 2009 regarding the Soil Builders issue. The planning and zoning board did not vote on the issue as they felt more information was needed. Myers reported that 25-30 people were in attendance to discuss the various issues, Myers felt the meeting went very well and is hoping the board will be ready to vote at the February meeting, until then there will be no more applications. Euse told Myers that Pat Robinson would serve on the Planning & Zoning Board. Husmann said that when the board ok'd the cell phone towers, they should have made it so that everyone could operate off of them. Husmann said that Alltel is going to put one up in Chapman and that Viaro already has one there. County Road Superintendent, Mike Meyer came before the board to tell them he had purchased a 1999 GMC Salt Truck from Farmers State for \$8500.00 which is equipped with a spreader for liquid application and snow plow attachment. This truck was previously owned by the state. Weller suggested the light north of Archer needs to be put back into place. Schuett had a request made to him to have the culvert south of the Worms, Chapman intersection be cleaned up on the west side. There have also been complaints of people speeding thru Worms; Euse suggested Meyer check on the pricing of the flashing speed limit lights for various parts of the county. County Clerk Wichmann would like to know how the Republican Nonpareil would be able to publish an article on the board meeting, just by going by the minutes and not actually having someone from the paper in attendance. Weller stated there were several errors in the article. Wichmann read a letter she received from Michael Lacey with Carlson West and Povandra Architects in Omaha regarding the problems with the heating and air in the courthouse. They have been in contact with the project engineers in an attempt to correct the situation regarding the heating and cooling system as soon as possible. They will contact Wichmann later this week once they have evaluated all options with their engineers to discuss the next step. The units put in were actually for residential and not for commercial usage, which Euse wanted to know why the company that installed them did not come before the board and inform them of that decision. Jefferson said they had told the building committee. Board also said the filters should be replaced monthly. Emergency item was added to the agenda late Monday afternoon concerning a county burial in which the board needed to approve. The board had the County Clerk call the County Attorney to come to the meeting for discussion. The County Attorney was present at 10:15 a.m.. Euse suggested to write a letter to the funeral home and inform them the \$1000.00 for the cremation will be paid upon the funeral home obtaining any social security benefits if there are any. Wichmann also stated she would need to call them because they are in need of guidance as soon as possible, and a letter would follow. Weller suggested Linda Gregor should come to a meeting to have guidelines given to her concerning the issue. County Attorney Curry suggested to give Linda a form to have relatives of the deceased complete in full. Moved Euse, Second Husmann to approve payment under said circumstances. Roll call: All Ayes

Split Approval: Planning & Zoning Administrator Jen Myers came before the board regarding a split request for the SW ¼ NW ¼ of 28-15-6 owned by W. Roy and Gertrude Creutzberg. They want to split 3 acres for farm inheritance reasons in the area located 4 miles north of Hwy 92 on 15th road. The split meets all of the regulation requirements. Moved by Hahn, Second by Husmann to approve the split. Roll Call: All Ayes

Rezoning Approval: Myers brought to the board the request for rezoning approval for Mona Christensen and John Elton in

20-14-7, Lot 20, Parcel #4057 in Archer from agricultural to commercial. Myers stated there was no opposition at the planning & zoning board meeting. Jefferson recommends that the zoning board require the area be sprayed for weeds as a condition of approval because of fire hazard. Also, they need to be in touch with the DEQ regarding the creosol on the railroad ties. Moved by Euse, Second Husmann to approve with the stipulation of proof of application for weed kill. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Also a request for rezoning approval for Doug Retzlaff and Southern Public Power District in SE1/4 of 1-14-8 from agricultural to commercial for the purpose of constructing a utility power substation. County Attorney Curry recommends rezoning. Moved by Weller, Second Euse to approve the rezoning. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Keystone Project Update: Tracy Calhoun, Permit Specialist and Harold Ridenhour, State Supervisor for Universal Field Services, Inc. introduced themselves to the board and gave updates regarding the pipeline that will be buried in Merrick County. They will be working with the road superintendent in order to meet qualifications and specs of the road requirements. In April, the company will start to get the Right of Ways. It was reported that all landowners have been contacted and 93% of the state has been surveyed. The owners were given a purchase option for three years and they will be compensated for any damage or impact to crops. The pipeline and a 50' easement from the pipeline will belong to the company; however, the land itself will remain the landowners' property. They are paying fair market value for everything. The pipeline will be buried a minimum of 4' deep in general areas and 5' deep under the county roads and they will boar the Platte River. A pumping station must be in place every 50 miles, which Merrick County will have one and the company is working with Nebraska Public Power District also. Keystone Excel is said to start the construction project in the year 2011 or 2012. The pipeline will be buried from Canada and will terminate in Houston, TX where the oil will be refined. Tracy and Harold stated the county should see a substantial increase in the economy due to the fact of having approximately 400 construction workers spread by possibly up to 70 miles. It was also suggested that Ruth Sorenson with the State Revenue Department in Lincoln be contacted by the board with any questions regarding property tax and revenue possibilities. The January 2009 payroll was presented to the board for approval. **General** Gross: \$90,854.84 Net: \$65,100.15 **Roads** Gross: \$44,030.51 Net: \$26,567.85 **Juvenile Diversion** Gross: \$1,853.00 Net: \$1,514.61.

Moved by Weller, Second by Husmann to approve the January 2009 payroll claims. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Moved Weller, Second Schuett to adjourn at 11:14 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/John Jefferson, Chairman

/s/Trisha L. Fate-Strobel, Deputy County Clerk

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk

February 10, 2009

The Merrick County Board of Supervisors met Tuesday, February 10, 2009, at 9:00 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Euse, Hahn, Jefferson, Husmann, Schneiderheinz, and Schuett present. Weller absent. Moved Hahn, Second Euse to convene as Board of Supervisors at 9:00 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes

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Chairman Jefferson declared the meeting was preceded by publicized notice and having acknowledged and identified the location of the posting of the current copy of the Open Meetings Act, called the meeting to order and in open session at 9:00 a.m.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by Husmann.

Agenda: Moved Euse, Second Hahn to approve the agenda as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Minutes: Schuett stated the culvert that had been requested to have cleaned should have read-culvert one mile south of Chapman/Worms intersection, the corner of 2nd and F road. Euse stated there was a misspelling of creosote. Moved Husmann, Second Euse to accept January 27, 2009 minutes after corrections. Roll Call: All Ayes

Meeting Reports: Schneiderheinz and Hahn attended the Midland Area of Aging last Thursday, February 5, 2009. Husmann attended the Health Board Meeting Monday, February 9, 2009. Husmann and Jefferson met with the furnace engineers about the heating and cooling issues.

Official Reports: County Clerk Wichmann presented the board of a letter she received from the DHHS in regards to the January 2009 billing for the Lincoln Regional Center. Wichmann informed the board the state auditors will be arriving at the courthouse the week of February 23, 2009. County Superintendent Meyer told the board the excavator is in Grand Island and getting a thumb put on it so they should receive it back by the end of this week. Wichmann also would like permission to hire a shredding company to shred past years paperwork from the Clerk's office. Moved Euse, Second Husmann to have Wichmann contact Shredmonster in Columbus. Roll Call: All Ayes

Euse would like to know the difference in publishing prices between the Palmer Journal and the Republican Nonpareil for the next board meeting.

Cleaning bids for Courthouse: Moved Husmann, Second Hahn to open cleaning bids for the courthouse at 10:03 a.m. Roll Calls: All Ayes. Dale Carlson \$425/wk with one year review, Hanson Grime Stoppers \$1316/mth, Kohl & Associates \$460/wk with six month review and Tim Nicholas \$450/wk. Motion Euse, Second Husmann to accept bid proposal from Hanson Grime Stoppers with a probationary period of six months beginning March 1, 2009. Roll Call: Ayes- Euse, Jefferson, Schuett, Hahn, and Husmann. Nays: None Abstain: Schneiderheinz.

Electrical Agreement: Highway Superintendent Meyer came to the board regarding approval for an electrical agreement with Southern Public Power District for Sections 19 and 24 Township 14 Range 8. SPPD would bury a line across the road on the county line north of Worms. Moved Husmann, Second Hahn to approve the electrical agreement. Roll Call: All Ayes

One and Six Plan: Meyer explained to the board and some township members of the maintenance road work that is planned for the One and Six Year Plan. Moved Husmann, Second Hahn to hold a hearing at the next board meeting on February 24, 2009 at 10:30 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Keystone Project Update: Mary Anderson, Joshua Popp, Land Agent and Harold Ridenhour, State Supervisor for Universal Field Services, Inc. came to the board and gave updates regarding the pipeline that will be buried in Merrick County. TransCanada and Keystone will have the sole responsibility with maintaining and operating the line. The goal is to have everything completed by 2013.

Planning and Zoning: Norm Euse and Joe and Scott Beck told the board that the Beck's had put in feedlot according to regulations from the State and the DEQ. Now they have been informed by the new Planning and Zoning Administrator that they are not in compliance because they need a conditional use permit. The Beck's said they had spoken to the former administrator, Slagle twice to make sure they were in compliance before beginning their operation. Slagle informed them that they were in compliance and met all regulations. There was no mention of needing a conditional use permit. Beck's said that had they known that, they would have applied for one. They stated that the feedlots are their livelihood and have put in a lot of money and time and now find out that they are not in compliance. Jennifer Myer, Planning and Zoning Administrator, said that they need to have a hearing and go before the Planning & Zoning commission and then before the County Board for the conditional use permit. She stated that someone had contacted her office questioning the feed yard. She said that the Assessor's office was unaware of their feedlots. They have two parcels for fewer than 800 head. Beck said that they had done nothing wrong according to Slagle. Myers said that Slagle told her that she had given the Beck's incorrect information. Slagle was present after the discussion had started and made no comment. County Attorney Curry was present at 11:14 a.m. Curry said that the issue is whether the process needs to be remedied. Roger Berry of AFAN was present also. The Beck's asked who was questioning the feedlots, as they have not had any complaints from their neighbors and would like to know who to talk to in order to see what the problem is. Myer said that she would not release the name. The Beck's said

that they were afraid that having their names in the paper would hurt their business, because their customers would think they were doing something wrong, when they were doing what they were informed was in compliance. The Beck's are going to contact their neighbors and apply for a conditional use permit and notify their customers. The County Board did not feel the Beck's had done anything wrong and had followed instructions given to them by Slagle, thinking they were in compliance.

Appointment to Planning & Zoning Committee: Myers came before the board to reappoint Maurice Lindgren, Central City to the Planning and Zoning Committee, and appoint Pat Robinson of Silver Creek as a new member to the Planning and Zoning Committee. Moved Euse, second Husmann to reappoint Lindgren and appoint Robinson as members of the Planning & Zoning Committee. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Claims: The February 2009 claims were presented to the board for approval:

FUND	NAME	TOTCLAIMS
GENERAL		
		\$
100	A & P PROCESS SERVICE	16.50
		\$
100	OFFICER STEVE BEHRING	113.60
		\$
100	KIMBERLY BENORDEN	91.50
		\$
100	DOROTHY D BENTON	1,654.95
		\$
100	GARY BERRY	1,458.13
		\$
100	PAUL BEYER	30.00
		\$
100	BG&S TRANSMISSIONS OF GRAND ISLAND	581.08
		\$
100	PAUL BRILL	30.00
		\$
100	GEORGE E BRUGH	259.50
		\$
100	CABLE NEBRASKA	45.95
		\$
100	CENTRAL CITY AUTO PARTS/SHERIFF ACT	16.82
		\$
100	CENTRAL CITY MALL	10.95
		\$
100	CENTRAL CITY MALL	84.99
		\$
100	CENTRAL DISTRICT HEALTH DEPARTMENT	3,023.33
		\$
100	CENTRAL TRUE VALUE	13.37
		\$
100	CITY OF CENTRAL CITY/ MINI BUS	347.94
		\$
100	CITY OF CENTRAL CITY/ UTILITIES	3,710.71
		\$
100	CITY OF CENTRAL CITY	60.29
		\$
100	CLERK OF DISTRICT COURT/CC	138.82
		\$
100	COMPUTERS ON THE RUN	197.99
		\$
100	CONAWAY PLUMBING	75.00
		\$
100	COPYCAT PRINTING	39.98
		\$
100	DONALD DABERKOW	38.40
		\$
100	NE DAS COMMUNICATIONS	448.00
		\$

100	RACHEL A DAUGHERTY	588.75
		\$
100	DELL MARKETING L.P.	376.32
		\$
100	DICK SPIEHS	34.89
		\$
100	EAKES OFFICE PLUS	80.49
		\$
100	ECO WATER SYSTEMS	168.50
		\$
100	NORMAN EUSE	250.00
		\$
100	THERESA GOOD	70.00
		\$
100	HERK'S WELDING INC	81.91
		\$
100	MARK HOGUE	30.00
		\$
100	MIKE HUTCHINSON	30.00
		\$
100	JACKSON SERVICES	154.00
		\$
100	JEROM E. JANULEWICZ	22.50
		\$
100	DAVID J JASKIERNY, JR, M.D.	940.00
		\$
100	JB SERVICES	1,841.67
		\$
100	JOHN JEFFERSON	186.54
		\$
100	JENSEN PUBLISHING	512.78
		\$
100	JENSEN PUBLISHING	398.30
		\$
100	JENSEN PUBLISHING/P&Z	71.13
		\$
100	JOURNAL PRINT SHOP/P&Z	103.31
		\$
100	JOURNAL PRINT SHOP	48.00
		\$
100	JOURNAL PRINT SHOP	578.75
		\$
100	JOURNAL PRINT SHOP	330.75
		\$
100	WILLIAM KELLEY	69.99
		\$
100	LEROY KLEVE	164.62
		\$
100	BRIAN KLUCK	140.00
		\$
100	MICHAEL P KNEALE	435.00
		\$
100	THOMAS L.KOVANDA	2,606.25
		\$
100	MARVIN KYES	64.35
		\$
100	JENNIFER LANI	344.30
		\$
100	LEXISNEXIS	205.00
		\$

100	MAURICE LINDGREEN	61.42
		\$
100	LITZENBERG/HOSPITAL OPERATING	8,333.33
		\$
100	LITZENBERG MEMORIAL HOSPITAL	2,048.00
		\$
100	MARY LIVINGSTON	275.00
		\$
100	ROSS A LUZUM, ATTORNEY AT LAW	2,455.64
		\$
100	MCI	75.85
		\$
100	MCILNAY & CO	26.22
		\$
100	ANTHONY MCPHILLIPS	132.20
		\$
100	MERRICK CO. COURT	343.00
		\$
100	MERRICK CO. EXTENSION SERVICE	851.09
		\$
100	MERRICK CO. HIGHWAY DEPT.	80,967.09
		\$
100	MERRICK CO. TREASURER	859.65
		\$
100	LARRY MEYER	40.74
		\$
100	MICROFILM IMAGING SYSTEMS, INC	46.00
		\$
100	MIDWEST MAILING SYSTEMS INC	180.00
		\$
100	MIPS INC.	124.56
		\$
100	MIPS INC.	400.00
		\$
100	MIPS INC.	220.12
		\$
100	JENNIFER MYERS	277.50
		\$
100	NACO	80.00
		\$
100	NE ASSOC COUNTY CLERKS	75.00
		\$
100	NE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES	4.00
		\$
100	NE PUBLIC HEALTH ENVIRONMENTAL LAB	78.00
		\$
100	NEBR. SUPREME COURT PUBLICATIONS	68.60
		\$
100	NT&T	37.85
		\$
100	NT&T	61.20
		\$
100	NT&T	81.81
		\$
100	NT&T	69.26
		\$
100	NT&T	48.08
		\$
100	NT&T	106.00
		\$

100	NT&T	45.94
		\$
100	NT&T	57.18
		\$
100	NT&T	53.30
		\$
100	NT&T	72.35
		\$
100	OFFICENET	187.90
		\$
100	OFFICENET	237.03
		\$
100	OFFICENET	187.66
		\$
100	OFFICENET,INC.	524.02
		\$
100	RICHARD OGDEN	36.85
		\$
100	KEVIN OHLMAN	7.02
		\$
100	ORKIN PEST CONTROL	57.89
		\$
100	PALSER SERVICE	449.30
		\$
100	PHILLIPS 66-CONOCO-76	24.00
		\$
100	JAN PLACKE	250.00
		\$
100	QWEST	47.84
		\$
100	GEO RUTTEN	98.28
		\$
100	SAM'S CLUB DIRECT	571.29
		\$
100	SAMPSON, CURRY & TWISS P.C.	847.65
		\$
100	OLIVIA SANTOS	20.00
		\$
100	SCEDD	2,000.00
		\$
100	HERMAN SCHUETT	59.40
		\$
100	SEVEN SPRINGS INC	29.00
		\$
100	STANARD APPRAISAL SERVICE, INC.	1,320.00
		\$
100	CHRIS STAROSTKA	202.20
		\$
100	BILL STOVALL	35.10
		\$
100	DAVID SULLIVAN	30.00
		\$
100	SURVEY RECORD REPOSITORY	5.00
		\$
100	REBECCA VEEDER	20.00
		\$
100	REX WELLER	66.00
		\$
100	MARCIA WICHMANN	33.91
		\$

100	LYNN WIEGERT	128.70
		\$
100	JERRY D. WILLHOFT	1,241.67
		\$
100	FLEET SERVICES	915.11
		\$
100	XEROX CORPORATION	45.00
		\$
	TOTAL	131,749.70
ROADS		\$
300	ALLTEL/ROADS	31.41
		\$
300	APPLIED CONTROLS EQUIPMENT CO. INC.	4.76
		\$
300	ARCHER SUPPLY INC	1,193.00
		\$
300	ASPHALT & CONCRETE MATERIALS CO	1,668.13
		\$
300	BOMGAARS	33.93
		\$
300	CALIFORNIA CONTRACTORS SUPPLIES INC	95.76
		\$
300	CENTRAL CITY AUTO PARTS/ROADS	407.01
		\$
300	CENTRAL TRUE VALUE/ROADS	106.35
		\$
300	D-A LUBRICANT CO., INC.	9,435.63
		\$
300	TED DEXTER	41.80
		\$
300	EAKES OFFICE PLUS INC/ROADS	201.87
		\$
300	KRIS ERICKSON	31.25
		\$
300	RANDY FUEHRER	58.84
		\$
300	GILBARCO INC	17.00
		\$
300	GREEN LINE EQUIPMENT OF CC/ROADS	0.99
		\$
300	GROSSHANS, INC./ROADS	18.92
		\$
300	HANSEN INTERNATIONAL TRUCK INC	64.11
		\$
300	ISLAND SUPPLY WELDING CO.	39.75
		\$
300	JACKSON LINEN SERVICE/ROADS	25.82
		\$
300	KACO SUPPLIES	1,064.00
		\$
300	KELLY SUPPLY CO.	2.11
		\$
300	KIRKHAM MICHAEL	1,225.00
		\$
300	MARK HYDRAULIC CO, INC	35.00
		\$
300	MCILNAY & CO., INC./ROADS	48.69
		\$
300	MERRICK CO. TREASURER	8,625.64

		\$
300	MICHAEL MEYER	515.70
		\$
300	MIDLAND TELECOM, INC.	194.50
		\$
300	MIDWEST SERVICE & SALES CO.	309.00
		\$
300	NEBR. MACHINERY CO.	587.61
		\$
300	STATE OF NE/SURPLUS PROPERTY	370.00
		\$
300	NT&T/SHOP	44.73
		\$
300	NT&T/ROADS	57.33
		\$
300	OVERLAND SAND & GRAVEL	138.00
		\$
300	PALSER SERVICE/ROADS	251.95
	POLK COUNTY RURAL PUBLIC POWER	\$
300	DIST	180.60
		\$
300	SACK LUMBER CO./ROADS	78.99
		\$
300	SCOTT-VAN KEPPEL-BR	4,935.73
		\$
300	SOURCEGAS,LLC	618.55
		\$
300	SOUTHERN POWER DISTRICT	959.35
		\$
300	VILLAGE OF CHAPMAN	40.65
		\$
300	ZEE MEDICAL SERVICE CO.	24.55
		\$
	TOTAL	33,784.01
MEDICAL RELIEF		
		\$
1500	GRAND ISLAND RADIOLOGY ASSOCIATES	61.00
		\$
1500	LINDA GREGER	135.00
		\$
1500	PALMER FUNERAL HOMES	1,000.00
		\$
	TOTAL	1,196.00
INSTITUTIONS		
		\$
1700	NE HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES	360.00
		\$
	TOTAL	360.00
JUVENILE DIVERSION		
		\$
2355	MERRICK CO DIVERSION	196.67
		\$
2355	RENE'E PETERSON	65.13
		\$
2355	SAMPSON, CURRY & TWISS P.C.	162.93
		\$
	TOTAL	424.73
INHERITANCE		
		\$
2700	CENTRAL PLATTE RESOURCE	2,706.86

		\$
2700	KATT SURVEYING	4,673.00
		\$
2700	MIPS INC.	2,288.85
		\$
	TOTAL	9,668.71
COUNTY BUILDING FUND		
		\$
4050	DAVE'S DO IT BEST CORP	922.80
		\$
	TOTAL	922.80
E-911		
		\$
5907	FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS	63.30
		\$
5907	GEO COMM CORP	4,776.00
		\$
5907	GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS	42.00
		\$
5907	NNTC	139.14
		\$
5907	QWEST	805.94
		\$
	TOTAL	5,826.38

Moved Euse, Second Husmann to approve the February 2009 claims as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Fees: The County Clerks, District Court Clerk's and Sheriff's January 2009 fees were presented for approval. Moved Husmann, second Schuett to approve the fees. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Tax Sale Certificate: Rod Wetoviak with Prairie Equity Investors, LLC is requesting to be reimbursed for \$4,621.00 plus interest for a total payment of \$7,811.96. This is for a tax sale certificate which was purchased by the company in March 2004, the bankruptcy court is not wanting to include the second half of the 1988 taxes in the claim of said certificate. Curry is not certain he can agree with the bankruptcy court due to the previous bankruptcies on the same individual. Motion Euse, second Husmann to table the decision until the March 10, 2009 board meeting so County Attorney Curry may further look into before a reimbursement can be made. Moved Euse, second Husmann to table the tax sale certificate issue and have County Attorney check the situation out further until the first board meeting in March. Roll Call: Ayes: Schuett, Hahn, Euse, Husmann, and Jefferson. Nays: None. Abstain: Schneiderheinze.

Moved Euse, second Husmann to adjourn at 12:23 p.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/John Jefferson, Chairman

/s/Trisha L. Fate-Strobel, Deputy County Clerk

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk

February 24, 2009

The Merrick County Board of Supervisors convened as Merrick County Board of Equalization, Tuesday, February 24, 2009 at 9:00 a.m., Hearing Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Euse, Husmann, Jefferson, Schneiderheinz, Schuett, and Weller present. Hahn was absent. Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. Proof of publication is filed in the Clerk's office. Copies of the agenda were mailed to each supervisor and kept current and available to the public at the County Clerk's office.

Chairman Jefferson declared the meeting was preceded by publicized notice and having acknowledged and identified the location of the posting of the current copy of the Open Meetings Act called the meeting in open session at 9:00 a.m.

Schneiderheinz led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Moved Weller, second Husmann to convene as Board of Equalization at 9:00 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes. **AGENDA:**

Moved Euse, second Husmann to accept the agenda as certified by the County Clerk. Roll Call: All Ayes.

MINUTES: Moved Husmann, second Euse to approve the minutes of the last meeting. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Tax Corrections: Assessor Placke presented tax correction #3507 for Verasun for personal property that will be for auction and for sale. Tax correction #3508 for Jacob Zimmer for tax year 2007 for equipment that was sold prior to that and tax correction #3509 also for Jacob Zimmer for stuff sold prior in 2006. Moved Euse, second Husmann to have the chairman sign tax corrections #3507, #3508, and #3509. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Permissive Exemptions: Assessor Placke has one new application for 2009 as a permissive exemption, for KMMJ The Praise Network, which is a religious station. She would like to set a hearing for the permissive exemptions for March 24, 2009 at 9:05 a.m. to approve the application and to approve reaffirmation of previously granted exemptions. Moved Weller, second Husmann to have the hearing at 9:05 a.m. March 24, 2009. Roll Call: All Ayes. Moved Euse, second Husmann to adjourn as Board of Equalization at 9:15 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/John Jefferson, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, Merrick County Clerk

February 24, 2009

The Merrick County Board of Supervisors met Tuesday, February 24, 2009, at 9:15 a.m. in the Hearing Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Euse, Jefferson, Husmann, Schneiderheinz, Schuett, and Weller present. Hahn was absent.

Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. Proof of publication is filed in the Clerk's office. Copies of the agenda were mailed to each supervisor and kept current and available to the public at the County Clerk's office.

Chairman Jefferson declared the meeting was preceded by publicized notice and having acknowledged and identified the location of the posting of the current copy of the Open Meetings Act called the meeting in open session at 9:15 a.m.

Moved Schuett, second Weller to convene at 9:15 a.m. as Board of Supervisors. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Agenda: Moved Euse, second Husmann to accept the agenda a presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Minutes: Euse said there was an error in the spelling of Rod Wetovick's name in the last minutes. Moved Euse, second Husmann to accept the minutes of the meeting with the correction. Roll Call: Schneiderheinz, Schuett, Husmann, Euse, and Jefferson. Nays: None. Abstain: Weller.

Meeting Reports: Weller met with officials and all are working on the handbook. Schuett attended the NIRMA workshop and NACO County Board workshop in Kearney. Schuett also attended a Bader Park meeting a week ago. Jefferson also attended the NIRMA workshop in Kearney and the hospital board meeting. Husmann attended the health board meeting and stated they are working on a board policy. The policy has to be done by March 21, 2009 when they have retreat. Schneiderheinz attended the meeting at the Senior Center.

Officials Report: Treasurer Dunham addressed the board about her hiring of a full time employee. Dunham stated that she advertised for a full time person and had done the interviews and was ready to hire but had been approached by board members about there may not be enough money next budget year. She wanted to know if they would be able to keep the full time person as full time after June. The board said that she should be up front with the people she interviewed and let them know that there may be a possibility of the position going to part time next budget year. Dunham stated that she had the money in her budget for this full time person now. The board just wanted to be cautious because of the economy and not knowing what the tax receipts would be like for next year. Dunham told the

board that from January to June of 2008 she had turned over \$428,000 to the CRD for properties that have been TIFed. These properties included private homes. County Attorney Curry said that in order for property to be TIFed it must be blighted and substandard, proposing a redevelopment contract and the contract must be approved and they must be pursuing a project. Curry said that how the TIP monies are to be used is set out in the contract. TIF is approved by the City Council. Dunham said that the Deputy State Auditor said that they were going to check across the state to see if TIF money was being used for what it should be. County Attorney Curry told the board that he will not give answers to the board as to what to do about the tax certificate that was sold to Prairie Equity Investors, LLC. Curry said that when the certificate was able to be sold it could not be because a bankruptcy was pending. The certificate was finally sold March 1, 2004. Curry said that you cannot guarantee that all the certificates are collectable. This certificate was bought in a bundle. Curry said that his advice would be to leave it as is.

Budget Preparation: Weller said that he had talked with the officials about the budget process this fiscal year and the officials thought it went well working with Andrew Simmons. Weller suggested having Andrew Simmons do the next budget but to get an estimate from Simmons and have the estimate said that it would not exceed a certain amount. Moved Weller, second Husmann to have Andrew Simmons do a do not exceed bid for the 2009-2010 budget. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Board Minutes: County Clerk Wichmann said that the minutes and notices in the papers is very expensive and with talk of possible budget cuts, said that many counties are having the same problem of publications being very expensive. By state statute, Wichmann said that she can put in a brief description, the motions or action taken, and the claims. This would cut publication costs for the County Board. The full version of the minutes would be put on the county website and is always on permanent record in the clerk's office. Moved Weller, second Husmann to have the County Clerk cut the minutes, starting with the next board meeting and to keep putting the detailed minutes on the website: www.merrickcounty.ne.gov, and let people know they can come to the Clerk's office to read the minutes. Roll Call: All Ayes.

One and Six Plan: Moved Weller, second Husmann to open the One and Six meeting at 10:30 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Highway Superintendent Mike Meyer, gave a review of the One and Six Plan to the County Board. The one year plan seven projects: C61(193), C61(206), C61(214), C61(224), C61(228), C61(229), and C61(230). The six year plan also had seven projects: C61(215), C61(216), C61(217), C61(218), C61(219), C61(225), and C61(227). Meyer said that Olsson and Associates out of Grand Island are doing a Prairie Water Shed study. Darrel Widman was present and gave the board copies of the traffic counts for different points in the county. Widman thought that the traffic count justified the paving of "L" Road. Widman said that there are Hamilton County residents living in this lake area that are paying taxes to the District 4 school district and they do not have children in school. Weller said that he could not justify spending a large amount of money on this road because it is a budget issue and the board had just told an official that there may have to be budget cuts next budget that may affect her hiring a full time employee and keeping them as a full time employee. Widman said that everything was always a budget issue and yet they seem to find the money somewhere. Moved Weller, second Euse to approve the One and Six Plan presented by Highway Superintendent Mike Meyer and have the Chairman sign RESOLUTION 2009-3 adopting the plan. Weller said that Widman presented himself well but this is a budgeting issue. Roll Call: Schuett, Schneiderheinz, Euse, Weller, and Jefferson. Nays: Husmann. Motion Carried.

Moved Husmann, to black top "L" Road which is a total county commitment with no government help. Motion died for lack of second.

Widman wanted to know when the board would be discussing the road budget for the next fiscal year and Weller told him that they did not know yet as it is not time to do budgets yet. Weller asked the County Clerk to notify Widman when the board would meet with the road official to go over his next budget.

Schuett absent at 11:15 a.m.

Executive Session: Executive session scheduled was not needed at this meeting and will be rescheduled.

Husmann shared a letter from Phyllis Miller of 156 Beck Road that said Tommy Leach has no trash pick up and has been throwing everything into the ditch and now there are rats. Husmann is going to turn this over to the health department.

Electrical Agreement: Highway Superintendent Meyer presented the board with an electrical agreement to be approved by the board for Stephen Kyes between Sections 17 and 16, Township 14, Range 6. Moved Weller, second Euse to approve and sign the electrical agreement for Stephen Kyes. Roll Call: All Ayes.

February 2009 Payroll Claims: County Clerks presented the February 2009 payroll claims for approval: General: Gross: \$87,818.13 Net: \$63,058.61 Roads: Gross: \$44,792.51 Net: \$27,609.53 Juvenile Diversion: Gross:

\$2,089.75 Net: \$1,692.61. Moved Weller, second Husmann to approve the February 2009 payroll claims as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Hansen Grime Stoppers Contract: Dawn Hansen of Hansen Grime Stoppers came before the board to have her contract for cleaning signed and approved by the board. The contract was for a one year period including the six month probation period. Moved Husmann, second Weller to approve the Hansen Grime Stoppers contract. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Dawn also asked the board about storage for her equipment and supplies and the board said that she could use the office space on first floor that was to be for the county attorney for the time being.

Moved Weller, second Schneiderheinz to adjourn at 12 noon. Roll Call. All Ayes.

/s/ John Jefferson, Chairman

/s/ Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk

March 9, 2009

The Merrick County Board of Supervisors met Monday, March 9, 2009, at 1:30 p.m. for an emergency meeting in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, 1510 18th Street, Central City, NE, with Euse, Hahn, Jefferson, Husmann, Schneiderheinze, and Weller present.

Notice of the meeting was given by the website and posting in businesses in all villages. The reason for the meeting was to discuss personnel matters.

Chairman Jefferson declared the meeting was preceded by publicized notice and having acknowledged and identified the location of the posting of the current copy of the Open Meetings Act called the meeting in open session at 1:30 p.m.

Moved Weller, second Husmann to convene at 1:38 p.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Pledge: Jefferson led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Moved Weller, second Hahn to go into executive session to discuss personnel matters at 1:40 p.m.

Moved Weller, second Husmann to go out of executive session at 2:05 p.m.

Memorials, flowers, or plants were discussed by the Board for the funeral of Supervisor Herman Schuett. The Board said that they would give a memorial and the courthouse will give a memorial. The memorial amount to be given by the Board was discussed. Moved Weller, second Husmann to give a memorial of \$120.00 from the County Board. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Jefferson brought up closing the courthouse for a period of time so the employees could attend the services. Moved Euse, second Hahn to approve the closing of the courthouse for a period of time for the funeral of Herman Schuett. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Moved Weller, second Hahn to adjourn at 2:19 p.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/John Jefferson, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk

March 10, 2009

The Merrick County Board of Supervisors convened as Merrick County Board of Equalization, Tuesday, March 10, 2009 at 9:00 a.m., Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Euse, Hahn, Husmann, Jefferson, Schneiderheinz, and Weller present. Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. Proof of publication is filed in the Clerk's office. Copies of the agenda were mailed to each supervisor and kept current and available to the public at the County Clerk's office.

Chairman Jefferson declared the meeting was preceded by publicized notice and having acknowledged and identified the location of the posting of the current copy of the Open Meetings Act called the meeting in open session at 9:00 a.m. Schneiderheinz led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Moved Weller, second Husmann to convene as Board of Equalization at 9:00 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes. **AGENDA:** Moved Euse, second Husmann to accept the agenda as certified by the County Clerk. Roll Call: All Ayes.

MINUTES: Moved Weller, second Husmann to approve the minutes of the last meeting. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Vehicle Exemption: County Treasurer Dunham needed approval for a vehicle exemption for Covenant Cedars Bible Camp for a 2004 Ford Freestar mini van, ID#2FM2A57644BA45387. Moved Husmann, second Hahn to approve and have the chairman sign the vehicle exemption for Covenant Cedars Bible Camp. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Moved Husmann, second Euse to adjourn as Board of Equalization at 9:05 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/John Jefferson, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, Merrick County Clerk

March 10, 2009

The Merrick County Board of Supervisors met Tuesday, March, 2009, at 9:07 a.m. in the Supervisor's Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Euse, Jefferson, Hahn, Husmann, Schneiderheinz, and Weller present.

Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. Proof of publication is filed in the Clerk's office. Copies of the agenda were mailed to each supervisor and kept current and available to the public at the County Clerk's office.

Chairman Jefferson declared the meeting was preceded by publicized notice and having acknowledged and identified the location of the posting of the current copy of the Open Meetings Act called the meeting in open session at 9:07 a.m.

Agenda: Moved Husmann, second Hahn to accept the agenda as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Minutes: Moved Weller, second Euse to accept the minutes of the meeting as published. Roll Call: Schneiderheinz, Husmann, Euse, Weller and Jefferson. Nays: None. Abstain: Hahn.

Meeting Reports: Schneiderheinz attended the Senior Center meeting. Weller attended the Development Corporation meeting and reported that Covenant Door were going to do a big expansion. The Ethanol Plant auction will be March 16, 2009. Weller, Jefferson, and Hahn met with the state auditors and went over a rough draft. Weller reported that the auditors were very complimentary of the cooperation of the officials and the improvements. Husmann, Jefferson, Schneiderheinz, and Hahn attended the going away party for Bert Meschke from County Court. Husmann also attended a health board meeting and said they are still working on board policy.

Officials Report: County Treasurer Dunham reported that her office had sold 124 parcels for \$145,660.62 at the public tax sale. There were twenty five people bidding which is more than they have ever had. Planning and Zoning Administrator Jennifer Myers reported that there was a public hearing on soil builders. The motion to eliminate the applications of soil builders was taken off because of a lack of a second. She reported that there was going to be another Planning and Zoning Commission meeting Thursday to discuss regulations. Myers attended the annual Planning and Zoning conference in Grand Island and learned that when there is any rezoning, regulations changes and such, the regulations need to be changed and the map needs to be rezoned. This was not being done and she will have to go back and see what rezoning was done in the past. She also presented the board with a list of the building permits for February, 2009. Highway Superintendent Mike Meyer reported that the new excavator had been delivered yesterday.

The Board decided that the courthouse should be closed from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Friday, March 13, 2009 so that the officials and their office personnel could attend the funeral of Merrick County Supervisor Herman Schuett.

Bob Jensen from the Republic Nonpareil came to the board and offered his condolences. Jensen also wanted to know what the procedure for replacing a supervisor was and he was told that the County Clerk, County Attorney, and County Treasurer pick the replacement and this is done in open session. The County Clerk will place an ad and take applications. They have to have this done in 45 days. Jensen reported that Supervisor Schneiderheinz had been honored at the Chamber of Commerce banquet Monday evening.

NPAIT approval: The auditors said that NPAIT needed to be approved by the County Board at their January reorganization meetings and that this was not being done. Moved Weller, second Euse to approve the County Treasurer investing money in NPAIT. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Pledge Securities: The auditors said that either the Treasurer or Clerk need to show the board the pledge securities. The

Clerk showed the pledge securities to the board for January and February 2009 for them to review.

Publishing costs: Dale Kirkpatrick with the Palmer Journal had told Euse and County Clerk Wichmann that he had several people that wanted the complete minutes printed and so Kirkpatrick told Euse and Wichmann that he would donate half the cost of publishing the minutes. The board accepted his offer.

Chris Anderson, City of Central City: Euse asked Chris Anderson about homes in developments being TIFed and some of the homes are city employees. Anderson said that a house built on TIFed ground is TIFed to pay for streets, sewer, and etc. Chris Anderson said that there are three trailers connected to Platte Valley Trailer Court, that have distress warrants on them. All three trailers had recent residents, but Anderson said two have an odor you can smell before you enter them. The City intends to pay \$1,200.00 for each trailer, for someone to come in and remove them. Anderson said he had visited with the County Treasurer and one has taxes of \$117.50 plus fees. Anderson said that they would like to get them taken care of. Euse told Anderson that there maybe someone by Duncan who would be interested in them, and that Anderson should give this person a call. Moved Husmann, second Euse to waive the distress warrants on the three trailers and give the City the trailers to get them cleaned up, and if the City receives any money for the trailers that the County should receive some of the money. Roll Call: All Ayes.

RESOLUTION 2009-4: RESOLUTION 2009-4 was presented by County Treasurer Dunham to transfer \$100,000.00 from the Road Fund to the Inheritance Fund. Moved Weller, second Husmann to approve and have the Chairman sign RESOLUTION 2009-4. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Electrical Agreement: Highway Superintendent Mike Meyer presented an electrical agreement for pivot purposes for Vernon Svitak, between Sections 34 and 3, Townships 13 and 12, Range 8. Moved Weller, second Euse to approve the electrical agreement for Svitak. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Utility Agreement: Surveyor Mike Meyer said the County needs to approve a utility agreement with the City of Central City so the City can put in a sewer line to Nebraska Christian School going through the County ditch. Moved Euse, second Weller to approve the utility agreement with County Surveyor Mike Meyer's approval. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Planning and Zoning Fees: Planning and Zoning Administrator Myer said that the auditors had found that since 2005, the charges for conditional use permits was more than what the County Board had approved. Myer presented the board with a list of permits and the fee costs: zoning/building permit - \$15.00, zoning/building permit-removal -No Charge, subdivisions - \$100.00 plus \$4.00 a lot over 10, conditional use - \$100.00, conditional use/paunch - \$100.00, variance - \$100.00, appeal a variance - \$100.00, zoning changes - \$100.00, lot split (small tract split) - \$15.00 plus filing fee(s). The board told Myers that Planning and Zoning should keep their own record of what they take in for fees. Myers said that she was doing that. Moved Husmann, second Euse to approve the fees presented for Planning and Zoning. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Split Approval: Planning and Zoning Administrator Myers presented the board with a split for Ronald Grigsby for 9.27 acres, for the East 1/2 NE1/4, 21-13-6. Myers told the board that the original five acre split made in October was being voided and this would take place instead to accommodate future subdivision possibilities. With this split, Grigsby would be able to access his property in case a subdivision would happen. Moved Weller, second Euse to table the split approval for Grigsby until the next board meeting. Weller withdrew motion and after some thought and studying Moved Weller, second Euse to approve the Ron Grigsby split. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Split Approval: Myers presented a split for approval for James and Judith Helgoth for part of the SW1/4 in 19-15-5. This split Myers said was discovered after the sale of the land had already taken place. The split is so five acres can be split off for a home. Moved Weller, second Euse to approve the split for James and Judith Helgoth. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Weed Report: Jerry Wilhoft said he had attended the State Weed Conference and met with the weed management group and Twin Platte Group. Wilhoft said there is a grant for \$400,000.00 but it is contingent on landowners paying 15% of the money. LB296 will pass and it will extend \$2,000,000.00 for another year. Wilhoft said there is a company that wants to furnish free chemical between Hall and Merrick County.

Petty Cash: County Clerk Wichmann told the board that the state auditors said that the extra cash in her checking accounts and in her cash drawer needs to be considered petty cash and amounts kept need to be approved by the board. Wichmann would like to keep \$100.00 in drawer, \$100.00 in clerk account and \$1,000.00 in warrant account. Moved Husmann, second Hahn to approve the petty cash amounts for the County Clerk accounts and drawer. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Claims: County Clerk Wichmann presented the board with the March 2009 claims for approval:

FUND	NAME	TOTCLAIMS
GENERAL	A & P PROCESS SERVICE	\$ 73.76
	AMSAN LLC	\$ 503.17
	DOROTHY D BENTON	\$ 1,657.50
	GARY BERRY	\$ 87.75
	PAUL BEYER	\$ 30.00
	PAUL BRILL	\$ 30.00
	CABLE NEBRASKA	\$ 45.95

CENTRAL CITY AUTO PARTS/SHERIFF ACT	\$	25.55
CENTRAL CITY MALL	\$	50.00
CENTRAL CITY MALL	\$	24.15
CENTRAL DISTRICT HEALTH DEPARTMENT	\$	2,583.33
CENTRAL PLATTE RESOURCE	\$	13.00
CENTRAL TRUE VALUE	\$	42.43
CENTRAL TRUE VALUE	\$	18.32
CITY OF CENTRAL CITY/ UTILITIES	\$	2,536.31
CITY OF CENTRAL CITY	\$	60.29
CITY OF G.I. UTILITIES DEPT	\$	17.32
CLAY COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT	\$	450.00
CLERK OF DISTRICT COURT/CC	\$	207.00
COPYCAT PRINTING	\$	136.67
CREIGHTON UNIVERSITY MEDICAL CENTER	\$	749.91
CRISIS CENTER, INC.	\$	4,000.00
NE DAS COMMUNICATIONS	\$	448.00
DAS IMSERVICES	\$	12.00
DELL MARKETING L.P.	\$	85.97
DOUGLAS COUNTY TREASURER	\$	210.00
EAKES OFFICE PLUS	\$	64.97
ECO WATER SYSTEMS	\$	71.00
NORMAN EUSE	\$	51.70
THERESA GOOD	\$	73.15
SCOTT GRAFTON	\$	1,508.10
HALL COUNTY SHERIFF DEPT	\$	18.92
HAMPTON INN / KEARNEY	\$	142.00
MARK HOGUE	\$	30.00
HOLIDAY INN OF KEARNEY	\$	142.00
MIKE HUTCHINSON	\$	280.00
JACKSON SERVICES	\$	154.00
JEROM E. JANULEWICZ	\$	142.50
JB SERVICES	\$	1,841.67
JENSEN PUBLISHING	\$	56.40
JENSEN PUBLISHING	\$	80.30
JENSEN PUBLISHING	\$	1,152.70
JENSEN PUBLISHING	\$	336.20
JENSEN PUBLISHING/P&Z	\$	47.52
JOURNAL PRINT SHOP/P&Z	\$	4.71
JOURNAL PRINT SHOP	\$	319.85
JOURNAL PRINT SHOP	\$	225.82
MICHAEL P KNEALE	\$	7,218.11
THOMAS L.KOVANDA	\$	656.25
JENNIFER LANI	\$	36.08
LEXISNEXIS	\$	205.00
LITZENBERG/HOSPITAL OPERATING	\$	8,333.33
LITZENBERG MEMORIAL HOSPITAL	\$	2,660.50
MCI	\$	20.53
MCILNAY & CO	\$	263.52
ANTHONY MCPHILLIPS	\$	30.00
MERRICK CO. COURT	\$	268.00
MERRICK CO. EXTENSION SERVICE	\$	1,429.57
MERRICK CO. HIGHWAY DEPT.	\$	80,967.09
MERRICK CO. TREASURER	\$	5,548.07
MICHAEL MEYER	\$	627.16
MICROFILM IMAGING SYSTEMS, INC	\$	46.00
MIDWEST STORAGE SOLUTIONS, INC	\$	317.57
JENNIFER MYERS	\$	99.00

NACO	\$ 60.00
NACVSO C/O JIM GOLGART,TREASURER	\$ 275.00
NE ASSOC OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT	\$ 130.00
STATE OF NE/DEPT CORRECTIONAL SVCS	\$ 563.92
NE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES	\$ 12.00
NT&T	\$ 37.85
NT&T	\$ 52.37
NT&T	\$ 66.90
NT&T	\$ 65.75
NT&T	\$ 47.53
NT&T	\$ 103.10
NT&T	\$ 44.29
NT&T	\$ 47.67
NT&T	\$ 1,095.17
NT&T	\$ 50.62
NT&T	\$ 62.86
OFFICE SYSTEMS CO.	\$ 42.14
HSBC BUSINESS SOLUTIONS	\$ 431.32
OFFICENET	\$ 58.98
OFFICENET	\$ 419.19
OFFICENET	\$ 2.78
OFFICENET,INC.	\$ 526.47
ORKIN PEST CONTROL	\$ 57.89
PALSER SERVICE	\$ 440.80
C. JO PETERSEN	\$ 577.50
JAN PLACKE	\$ 56.71
PLATTE VALLEY COMM.	\$ 105.50
QWEST	\$ 47.84
JAN I REEVES	\$ 255.00
SAM'S CLUB DIRECT	\$ 243.93
SAMPSON, CURRY & TWISS P.C.	\$ 1,006.48
HERMAN SCHUETT	\$ 108.90
SEVEN SPRINGS INC	\$ 15.00
SOLT FUNERAL HOME	\$ 125.00
STANARD APPRAISAL SERVICE, INC.	\$ 1,031.25
STROMSBURG SOFT WATER	\$ 52.20
DAVID SULLIVAN	\$ 30.00
VISA	\$ 1,704.50
REX WELLER	\$ 283.00
MARCIA WICHMANN	\$ 125.62
JERRY D. WILLHOFT	\$ 1,241.67
FLEET SERVICES	\$ 900.17
XEROX CORPORATION	\$ 45.00
TOTAL	\$ 142,217.54

ROADS

AGRICULTURAL SERVICES INC	\$ 14.00
ALL ROADS BARRICADES, INC	\$ 327.38
ALLTEL/ROADS	\$ 78.76
ANDERSON AUTO PARTS	\$ 15.67
ARCHER SUPPLY INC	\$ 870.25
AURORA CO-OP ELEVATOR CO.	\$ 1,284.50
BOMGAARS	\$ 166.77
BOSSELMAN INC/ROADS	\$ 13,220.67
CALIFORNIA CONTRACTORS SUPPLIES INC	\$ 141.72
CYNTHIA CATLETT	\$ 250.00
DENNIS CATLETT	\$ 31.25
CENTRAL CITY AUTO PARTS/ROADS	\$ 292.32

CENTRAL TRUE VALUE/ROADS	\$ 4.99
GARRETT ENTERPRISES,INC.	\$ 1,008.48
GILBARCO INC	\$ 17.00
GRIGSBY FARMS & EXCAVATION	\$ 981.05
GROSSHANS, INC./ROADS	\$ 23.58
HERK'S WELDING SHOP	\$ 6.83
HOOKER BROS SAND & GRAVEL INC	\$ 255.00
HUSKER CO-OP	\$ 640.67
INLAND TRUCK PARTS & SERVICE	\$ 2,300.00
ISLAND SUPPLY WELDING CO.	\$ 39.75
JACKSON LINEN SERVICE/ROADS	\$ 25.82
JOURNAL PRINT SHOP/ROADS	\$ 80.50
KIRKHAM MICHAEL	\$ 735.00
GALE MARTENS	\$ 31.25
MERRICK CO. TREASURER	\$ 125.06
MIDLAND TELECOM, INC.	\$ 800.30
MIDWEST SERVICE & SALES CO.	\$ 598.00
NEBR. MACHINERY CO.	\$ 452.08
NT&T/SHOP	\$ 42.35
NT&T/ROADS	\$ 53.54
PALMER SERVICE CENTER	\$ 680.00
PRESCO SALES & SERVICE	\$ 3,617.60
JOHN E PROSOSKI	\$ 45.65
SACK LUMBER CO./ROADS	\$ 149.98
SAPP BROS. PETROLEUM	\$ 1,640.72
SCOTT-VAN KEPPEL-BR	\$ 102.14
TRACEY SLAGLE	\$ 250.00
SOURCEGAS,LLC	\$ 642.16
SOUTHERN POWER DISTRICT	\$ 688.66
UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA/KEARNEY	\$ 140.00
VILLAGE OF CHAPMAN	\$ 40.35
TOTAL	\$ 32,911.80
RELIEF/MEDICAL	
LINDA GREGER	\$ 135.00
LITZENBERG CO. HOSPITAL	\$ 674.55
NORM'S U SAVE PHARMACY	\$ 1,171.44
TOTAL	\$ 1,980.99
INSTITUTIONS	
NE HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES	\$ 279.00
TOTAL	\$ 279.00
JUVENILE DIVERSION OFFICE	
BUTTERCREAM TRADITIONS	\$ 400.00
JENSEN PUBLISHING	\$ 89.60
MERRICK CO DIVERSION	\$ 37.15
RENE'E PETERSON	\$ 161.05
QUILL	\$ 103.50
REDWOOD BIOTECH	\$ 420.00
SAMPSON, CURRY & TWISS P.C.	\$ 200.52
TOTAL	\$ 1,411.82
INHERITANCE	
MIPS INC.	\$ 2,288.85
TOTAL	\$ 2,288.85
SINKING FUND	
SILVER CREEK LUMBER & FARM	\$ 2,140.00
TOTAL	\$ 2,140.00

5907	FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS	\$	63.30
5907	GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS	\$	4.00
5907	NNTC	\$	139.14
5907	QWEST	\$	477.09
5907	QWEST	\$	397.32
	TOTAL	\$	1,080.85

Moved Euse, second Husmann to approve the March 2009 claims as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Fees: County Clerk Wichmann presented the board with the February 2009 fees from the Sheriff, Clerk of the District Court Clerk and the County Clerk for the board's approval. Moved Weller, second Husmann to approve fees. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Adjournment: Moved Weller, second Husmann to adjourn at 11:55 p.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/ John Jefferson, Chairman

/s/ Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk

March 24, 2009

The Merrick County Board of Supervisors convened as Merrick County Board of Equalization, Tuesday, March 24, 2009 at 9:00 a.m., Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Euse, Hahn, Husmann, Jefferson, Schneiderheinz, and Weller present. Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. Proof of publication is filed in the Clerk's office. Copies of the agenda were mailed to each supervisor and kept current and available to the public at the County Clerk's office.

Chairman Jefferson declared the meeting was preceded by publicized notice and having acknowledged and identified the location of the posting of the current copy of the Open Meetings Act called the meeting in open session at 9:00 a.m.

Weller led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Moved Weller, second Husmann to convene as Board of Equalization at 9:00 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes. **AGENDA:** Moved Euse, second Husmann to accept the agenda as certified by the County Clerk. Roll Call: All Ayes.

MINUTES: Moved Euse, second Husmann to approve the minutes of the last meeting. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Hearing for Permissive Exemptions: Moved Euse, second Hahn to open the hearing on permissive exemptions at 9:04 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

County Assessor Placke presented an exemption for KMMJ Praise Network, which is a religious station. It was previously exempt but it is now under new ownership. Moved Weller, second Hahn to approve the permissive exemption for KMMJ Praise Network. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Placke asked the board to approve the affirmation of previously granted exemptions. Euse would like to have the Merrick Fitness Center and the Merrick Daycare Center taken off of the exemptions because he doesn't feel they should be tax exempt because people pay to use or belong to them. Placke said that next year he would have to let her know ahead and a public hearing would need to be set up. Weller said that he would like to have the Assessor check the Articles of Incorporation for KMMJ. Moved Weller, second Hahn to approve the prior affirmations. Roll Call: Ayes: Husmann, Schneiderheinz, Hahn, Weller, and Jefferson. Nays: None. Abstain: Euse. This will be a topic of discussion next year.

Moved Euse, second Husmann to adjourn as Board of Equalization at 9:20 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/John Jefferson, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, Merrick County Clerk

March 24, 2009

The Merrick County Board of Supervisors met Tuesday, March 24, 2009, at 9:21 a.m. in the Supervisor's Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Euse, Jefferson, Hahn, Husmann, Schneiderheinz, and Weller present.

Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. Proof of publication is filed in the Clerk's office. Copies of the agenda were mailed to each supervisor and kept current and available to the public at the County Clerk's office.

Chairman Jefferson declared the meeting was preceded by publicized notice and having acknowledged and identified the location of the posting of the current copy of the Open Meetings Act called the meeting in open session at 9:21 a.m.

Moved Husmann, second Hahn to convene at 9:21 a.m. as Board of Supervisors. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Agenda: Moved Euse, second Husmann to accept the agenda as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Minutes: Moved Weller, second Husmann to accept the minutes of the emergency meeting March 9, 2009 and regular meeting March 10, 2009 as published. Roll Call: Schneiderheinz, Husmann, Euse, Weller, Hahn and Jefferson.

Meeting Reports: Hahn attended the hospital meeting and the Central Nebraska Community Service meeting in Loup City. Weller attended the Mid Nebraska Individual Services meeting. Weller, Euse, and Husmann attended the Central District Meeting in Grand Island. Husmann attended the health board retreat Saturday, March 21, 2009 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Jefferson attended the NRD Eastern Project budget meeting.

Officials Report: Highway Superintendent Meyer said that the bridge inspections are done. There is some work to be done on the timber bridges yet. Extension Agent Siekman told the board he had put together a public meeting on Tuesday, March 31, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. at the 4H building at the fairgrounds concerning pipelines. Siekman wants it to be more of a discussion of eminent domain. This meeting is to discuss all pipelines. County Clerk Wichmann read a letter from Mid Plains about filling the vacancy created by the death of Supervisor Herman Schuett, and also read a thank you from the library. Wichmann also gave the board copies of the securities for the beginning of March. Wichmann told the board about the Board of Equalization workshop in Kearney in May and the Legislative Day in Lincoln in April.

Platte Peer Group: Pat Carlson, representing the Platte Peer Group, asked the board who was supposed to contact the contractor for the roof of the house at Bader Park. She would like to get the shingling done. Euse said that he was disappointed that the peer group had not contacted the contractor. Moved Euse, second Hahn to have the Platte Peer Group contact Rick Stueven for the roofing of the house at Bader Park. Roll Call: All Ayes. Due to the death of Herman Schuett, Robert Husmann will serve on the Platte Peer Group.

Weller told Carlson that NIRMA was questioning as to why the County was insuring the buildings at Bader Tooley Park. Weller said that County Attorney Curry would have to take a look at the agreement and the insurance situation. Carlson said that she needed to come up with something to get funding to do repairs and make improvements for the park. Carlson said that the park is open all year long. Carlson said that the \$21,000.00 from the Merrick Foundation and the \$17,000.00 from Hamilton and Merrick County's combined are used for operating costs.

Juvenile Diversion: Juvenile Diversion Officer Renee Peterson needed the board to approve the chairman to sign for the Juvenile Diversion Grant from the Nebraska Crime Commission which was already granted. Moved Euse, second Husmann to have the chairman sign the Juvenile Diversion Grant papers. Peterson said that in order to get a grant, there needed to be a three year plan on file for Juvenile Diversion. Peterson presented the board with the Merrick County Juvenile Services Comprehensive Plan for January 1, 2009 to December 31, 2011. Peterson also needed approval and signature for the interlocal agreement between Merrick, Nance, and Polk Counties. Polk County had already approved and signed and she was meeting with Nance County later this afternoon. She said that her work load has increased with the addition of Nance and Polk Counties, so next year she is looking into hiring a part time person. She will look into getting grant money to help with this expense and having the other Counties help out. Weller said that Merrick County would only budget the \$17,000.00. Moved Weller, second Hahn to sign the interlocal agreement with Merrick, Nance, and Polk Counties. Roll Call: All Ayes. Peterson asked for the approval and signature of the application for grant funds for next year. She did one grant for all three counties with Merrick County being the lead with \$23,723.00 She said that \$16,945 is coming from the Nebraska Crime Commission and \$3,689 from Nance and Polk Counties combined. Peterson said that \$3,089.00 would be the amount to be matched. Moved Hahn, second Weller to approve and sign the grant. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Hearing on Automobile Junkyard Regulations: Moved Husmann, second Euse to open hearing on automobile junkyard regulations at 10:35 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes. Planning & Zoning Administrator Jennifer Myers told the board that the Planning & Zoning Board had met and she presented the recommendation of the Planning & Zoning Board on automobile junkyard regulations. Myers stated that the junkyards in the county now are not grandfathered in. Myers said that pre existing went from three years to one year. Licensed vehicles used for farming would not be classified as a junkyard. Moved Weller, second Euse to go out of the public hearing at 10:45 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes. Moved Weller, second Euse to approve the Merrick County Amendment for Automobile Junkyards. Roll Call: All Ayes. A copy of the amendment may be viewed in the Planning & Zoning office.

RESOLUTION 2009-5: County Treasurer Dunham told the board that the State Auditor said that a Tax Sale Certificate that had been turned over to the County Attorney in July 2007 and not taken care of needed to be addressed. Dunham said that taxes are running under a dollar a year and haven't been paid since 2001. Dunham asked for approval of RESOLUTION 2009-5 asking the County Attorney to proceed to the foreclosure and sale. Moved Husmann, second Euse to approve RESOLUTION 2009-5. Weller stated that he would rather talk to the County Attorney about this before approving a resolution and if not action will be taken by the attorney then a resolution can be done. Husmann and Euse withdrew their motion and second.

Heating and Cooling Issues: Mike Lacey with Carlson, West, Provanda and Dan Schinstock, an engineer with ETI came to the board to address the heating issues in the courthouse. Dan had a meeting in January with some of the board members. One option is multiple thermostats, or thermostats in each office. Dan presented a price quote for the multiple thermostats and dampers from McIlnay and Company. The amount was for \$22,903.00. Euse said that this should have been included with the contract and that this was something that should have been brought to the board among other things that were done in the courthouse construction but never was. Dan said that they supplied a very economical and efficient system and that there was a very tight budget and cost is always a concern. Dan said that they try to put the units on the north and south instead of the east and west, but because of the configuration of the building this could not be done. The system that was installed is easy to maintain, but the down side is this is an old building. Another option is to put heat around the perimeters. Dan said the \$22,903.00 is the total cost for a four zone system for second and third floor for the east and west halves. There would be four control zoning units. Weller said that if this will do the job the price is O.K. Euse said that he didn't feel the bid for things in the courthouse were not presented correctly and that the cheaper versions were installed because they felt it was what was needed because of the cost. Dan said that wireless thermostats save money because no wires need to be dropped through walls ceilings. The State had told Treasurer Dunham to keep the door to the computer room open because that room was too warm. The door should be closed at all times but is not because of the temperature. Weller asked that they check out the computer room and also see if the price of \$22,903.00 is for wireless thermostats. Mike Lacey asked Dan is there would be an advantage if they put this out for bids and he said potentially yes, but he would rather have a controlled company do the work because they provide the controls and would be doing the maintenance on the controls. The controls they were looking at were Honeywells and should be programmable by a local company. The board asked that Dan have the figures finalized by the next meeting.

Prairie Equity Investors LLC Claim approval: Prairie Equity Investors LLC submitted a claim for \$7,889.46 for taxes that were sold by Merrick County at the Tax Sale March 2004 plus interest till February 2, 2009. Rodney Wetovick had come before the board at a previous meeting and asked the board to consider reimbursement. The board members said they felt that

Prairie Equity Investors LLC should have checked the certificate out before purchasing it and County Attorney Curry said that he would not advise paying the claim. Moved Husmann, second Euse to deny the claim by Prairie Equity Investors LLC. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Public Health Month Proclamation: Ryan King with Central District Health Department came before the board for Mike Darbro to ask the board to proclaim April as Nebraska Public Health Month. King read the proclamation to the board, which is on file in the County Clerk's office. Moved Euse, second Hahn to approve the proclamation and have the chairman sign it. Roll Call: All Ayes. King also extended condolences to the board for the death of Supervisor Herman Schuett.

Juvenile Diversion office: County Attorney Curry informed the board that the Juvenile Diversion office would be moving into the County Attorney office on first floor. Curry stated that Juvenile Diversion had outgrown their office in his office building.

County Cafeteria Plan: State Auditors told County Clerk Wichmann that there needed to be a resolution passed by the board approving the County's cafeteria plan. RESOLUTION 2009-6 which is on file in the Clerk's office approves the County's cafeteria plan. Moved Husmann, second Weller to approve and sign RESOLUTION 2009-6. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Ambulance Service: Mike Bowman with Litzenburg Hospital informed the board that Dr. Buhlke had visited about ambulance service in Central City for basic life support and advanced life support at the hospital meeting. Bowman said there is only one paramedic in Central City and there must be a paramedic on board the ambulance. Bowman said they have a lot of transports and Midwest has been doing the transporting for them. Bowman said that sometimes they have to wait awhile for an ambulance to transport patients. The ambulance in Central City is very busy with an average of 400 calls a year. Bowman said that maybe there needs to be something setup between the hospital, city, and the County to employ paramedics or maybe contracting with nurses that are retired or off duty to help out. Bowman said that nurses are not trained in all areas that paramedics are. Bowman said that there needs to be something put together for transporting patients.

Payroll Claims: The March 2009 payroll claims were presented to the board for approval: General: Gross: \$89,036.10 Net: \$65,492.93 Roads: Gross: \$44,064.27 Net: \$28,404.23 Juvenile Diversion: Gross: \$1,917.50 Net: \$1,627.70.

Moved Weller, second Euse to approval all of the March 2009 payroll claims as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Group Long Term Disability Insurance: National Insurance is the carrier for the County's long term disability insurance and they had sent a letter needing the chairman's signature and the board approval stating that there will be no rate increase for the next two years for Merrick County. Moved Weller, second Husmann to approve and have the chairman sign the letter from National Insurance. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Moved Weller, second Euse to adjourn at 12:33 p.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/John Jefferson, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk

April 14, 2009

The Merrick County Board of Supervisors convened as Merrick County Board of Equalization, Tuesday, April 14, 2009 at 9:00 a.m., Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Euse, Hahn, Husmann, Jefferson, Schneiderheinz, and Weller present. Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. Proof of publication is filed in the Clerk's office. Copies of the agenda were mailed to each supervisor and kept current and available to the public at the County Clerk's office.

Chairman Jefferson declared the meeting was preceded by publicized notice and having acknowledged and identified the location of the posting of the current copy of the Open Meetings Act called the meeting in open session at 9:00 a.m. Husmann led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Moved Euse, second Husmann to convene as Board of Equalization at 9:00 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes. **AGENDA:** Moved Hahn, second Husmann to accept the agenda as certified by the County Clerk. Roll Call: All Ayes.

MINUTES: Moved Hahn, second Husmann to approve the minutes of the last meeting. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Tax Protests: Assessor Placke has two tax protests from the City of Central City for the North Ward School and the old Platte Valley Trailer Court. Placke would like a hearing set for Tuesday, April 28, 2009 at 9:05 a.m. Placke said the school was scheduled to be taken down Wednesday, April 15, 2009 and Treasurer Dunham said the city could not take the school down until the taxes were paid. Moved Weller second Husmann to set a hearing for Tuesday, April 28, 2009 at 9:05 a.m. to hear the two tax protests for the City of Central City. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Moved Weller, second Husmann to adjourn as Board of Equalization at 9:26 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/John Jefferson, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, Merrick County Clerk

April 14, 2009

The Merrick County Board of Supervisors met Tuesday, April 14, 2009, at 9:27 a.m. in the Supervisor's Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Euse, Jefferson, Hahn, Husmann, Schneiderheinz, and Weller present.

Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. Proof of publication is filed in the Clerk's office. Copies of the agenda were mailed to each supervisor and kept current and available to the public at the County Clerk's office.

Chairman Jefferson declared the meeting was preceded by publicized notice and having acknowledged and identified the location of the posting of the current copy of the Open Meetings Act called the meeting in open session at 9:27 a.m.

Moved Euse, second Husmann to convene at 9:27 a.m. as Board of Supervisors. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Agenda: Moved Euse, second Husmann to accept the agenda as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Minutes: Clerk Wichmann had a correction on the March 24, 2009 minutes of the cap for Juvenile Diversion would be \$16,000.00 not \$17,000.00. The correction was called to her attention by Weller. Moved Husmann, second Weller to accept the minutes with the correction. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Weller wanted the minutes of the emergency meeting on March 9, 2009 to be changed to reflect what actually happened. He wanted the public to know that there were no public funds used for the donation for Herman Schuett by the board or the courthouse personnel. All monies were out of pocket from the County Board and the courthouse personnel. Moved Weller, second Euse to correct the minutes of the March 9, 2009 meeting to read that no public funds were use for a donation from the County Board and the courthouse personnel. The monies were all out of pocket. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Meeting Reports: Weller and Hahn attended the officials meeting to work on the handbook. Husmann attended the Central District Health meeting and Jefferson attended the hospital board meeting.

Official Reports: Veteran Service Officer Gary Berry gave his six month report to the board. Berry stated that there would be three veterans on the Honor Flight, April 23 and April 24, 2009 from Merrick County. Treasurer Dunham reported a problem with the general fund, as it is negative \$144,925.70. Dunham said the tax collections are up from last year, but the interest rates were over 2.00 and are not .2 to .1. Dunham also said that she has paid the Community Redevelopment Authority \$443,000.00 in TIF money for March 2008 to March 2009. The payment before this was for \$234,864.80. Assessor Placke said that this did not hurt or affect the county because it was not budgeted for and Dunham said that the money could have been revenue to the county instead of the Community Redevelopment Authority. The schools and fire departments do not benefit from this money and could use it and the properties that the TIF money is collected from will be TIFed for 15 years. Placke and County Attorney Curry said that the TIF money was not the reason for the general fund to be in the red. Placke and Curry did not feel the TIF money affected the county. The board wondered if a number may have been misplaced when the budget was done. The expenditures figures were correct it was just on the revenue side that was off. Moved Weller second Euse to open the budget to transfer money from the inheritance fund to the general fund. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Beth Pullen said there have been two requests for a refund on inheritance taxes. Treasure Dunham told the board that they just refund the taxes and no interest.

Distress Warrants: Sheriff McPhillips had presented the distress warrants to the board in their packets. Moved Husmann second Weller to wave the distress warrants totally uncollectible in the amount of \$2,482.91. Roll call: All Ayes.

RESOLUTION 2009-7: Planning & Zoning Myers requested to the board to approve RESOLUTION 2009-7 with regards to automobile junkyards. The original resolution is on file at the County Clerk's office. Moved Hahn second Husmann to approve RESOLUTION 2009-7. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Myers told the board she had two consultants come in and look at the county plan and regulations. Myers said that a lot of changes need to happen. Myers said that it would cost between \$30,000.00 to \$40,000.00 for consultants to come and redo the county plan and regulations. Myers said she was looking into grant money and stimulus money for this, but most grants are drafted toward villages not counties. Myers also said that she had wrote to Senator Annette Dubas to ask about stimulus money. Myers said that the money could be spent over a three to four year period. The county plan and regulations were last done in 1971.

Landscaping: Marilyn Heins had called and wanted to know if the board wanted her to do the landscaping and fertilizing this spring. Beth Pullen and Renee Petersen from Juvenile Diversion said that there were kids that could do this work. Moved Husmann second Euse not to exceed \$50.00 for plants and to let the kids in juvenile diversion do the work. Roll Call: Ayes: Hahn, Weller, Husmann, Euse, Jefferson. Nays: None No Vote: Schneiderheinz.

Letter of Support: Chuck Griffith with the Merrick Foundation said they had purchased the Hallmark building and are planning to develop a Merrick County Venture Center. They have applied for two grants, BECA Grant and the CDAA Grant. The Village of Chapman and Central City have both agreed to be applicants for the BECA grant. The Village of Chapman will be applicant A and Central City will be applicant B. They both qualify for 25% matching funds. The CDAA Grant is 60% with 40% local match. In order to get \$62,500.00 they must have \$25,000.00 donated. They want two message boards for \$20,000.00. The Merrick Foundation has received four pledges totaling \$20,000.00 so far. Griffith asked the board for a letter of support for the CDAA Grant and a pledge of \$5,000.00 or a letter of support for the BECA grant. Moved Weller second Husmann to write a letter of support for the Merrick Foundation for the BECA grant. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Proposals for Highway Department: Jefferson said that Ron Wiese had approached him and that he felt that a shelter (pole shed) needed to be built in Archer, Silver Creek and Clarks to protect the new equipment from weather elements. The tin from the roof of the county shop had been saved and could be use and they could try to get poles from Southern Public Power. Weller said that the Palmer building would hold two machines. Jefferson said that the building committee would look this over and research it.

Tourism Committee: This committee oversees promoting to visitors with funds from the lodging tax. There needs to be five members and currently there are three. The board needs to appoint two more members. County Attorney Curry said that Kendra Jefferson with the Chamber of Commerce should be contacted to see if she has any suggestions.

Bader Tooley Park Interlocal Agreement: Curry said that to his knowledge there have never been any formal agreements signed. Curry presented the board for their review an interlocal agreement with Hamilton County and the Peer Group. Moved Weller second Euse to sign both agreements, send them to Steve Jacobsen of the Peer Group, and enforce number 8 which states: On an annual basis, Agent shall furnish Owner with a statement of receipts and disbursements for the operation of Bader Memorial Park. Owner shall have the right to request periodic audits of all applicable accounts managed by Agent, and the cost of such audit(s) shall be paid by Owner. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Split Approval: Split approval was needed for part of the SE1/4 Section 30, Township 14, Range 6 for Bernard and Mary Hostler. Moved Euse second Husmann to approve the Hostler split. Roll Call: All Ayes.

PMC and Grid applications: The planning and zoning commission finalized the rules the sub committee came up with at their last meeting for PMC and grid applications. Myers said she is going to add these products to the paunch application because there is not much for changes. County Attorney Curry wants a broad description of what they would be dealing with. This will not be a conditional use but a permit. If you don't follow the rules the permit could be revoked. Applications must be turned into Myers before the Planning and Zoning commission meeting. Myers will then submit a list to the board of the permits that she has issued to the County Board of Supervisors once a month. A resolution for this will be done by the County Attorney and it will be presented to the County Board for approval. Myers will let the board know where the applications will take place.

Electrical Agreements: Van Galusha needed approval of two electrical agreements: one for Andy and Lori Faeh between Section 2 and 3, Township 13, Range 7 and one for Troy Eppert between Section 29 and 30, Township 13, Range 6. Moved Husmann second Euse to approve both electrical agreements. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Budget Proposals: Two proposals were given to the board to review from Andrew Simmons for the 2009-2010 and for the 2009-2010 and 2010-2011 budget years. The proposals were to assist the county clerk and various other county offices, if necessary, in preparation of the budget. One proposal was for one year and the other was for two years. Moved Weller second Husmann to sign the 2009-2010 (one year) proposal for the range of \$4,700.00 to \$5,500.00 plus other out of pocket costs if any. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Health insurance: Mike Boden with National Insurance Service said that in July, NACO will have long term disability

combined with the Blue Cross Blue Shield health insurance. Merrick County already has a long term disability plan in place and Boden said that to go with the buy up plan offered would put the buy up at 60% and save the county \$200.00 a year. Gary Streeks with Blue Cross Blue Shield and Tim McGonigal with Mid-American Benefits, Inc. were also present. Mid-American Benefits, Inc. is an extension of Blue Cross Blue Shield as a third party administrator. McGonigal said to go with a \$1,500.00 deductible would save the county on the premiums. Mid-American has a electronic interchange with Blue Cross Blue Shield on the insurance claims. Mid-American is based out of Omaha and is endorsed by the NACO board. Streeks said that he did not know what kind of an increase the board would be looking at for health insurance. The notification of insurance rates would be out in the next couple of weeks and would be sent to the County Clerk.

The County Clerk presented the securities to the board for their review.

Weed Report: Brent Meyer with the Nebraska Department of Agriculture and Weed Superintendent Jerry Wilhoft were present. Meyer said that the Nebraska Department of Agriculture inspects 1% of each county. Merrick County has two open files of leafy spurge by Silver Creek and lost points for this. Merrick County was awarded 2890 out of 3400 points. Meyer told the board that their support for LB98 was needed. Meyer also told the board that the Region 4 Superintendent of the Year award was given to Jerry Wilhoft.

Sheriff McPhillips told the board that he was getting a lot of pressure to build a Emergency Operations Center.

March 2009 fees: Approval was needed for the March 2009 fees from the Sheriff, Clerk of the District Court, and County Clerk. Moved Hahn second Weller to approve the March 2009 fees. Roll Call: All Ayes.

April 2009 claims: Approval was needed for the April 2009 claims presented by the County Clerk:

FUND	NAME	INVDISC	TOTCLAIMS
GENERAL			
			\$
100	A & P PROCESS SERVICE	COURT COSTS	57.84
			\$
100	HEIDI BALDWIN, MS	COURT COSTS	129.00
			\$
100	DOROTHY D BENTON	ATTY FEES	3,696.91
			\$
100	PAUL BEYER	CELL PHONE	30.00
			\$
100	PAUL BRILL	CELL PHONE	30.00
			\$
100	BUFFALO CO. SHERIFF	COURT COSTS	16.16
			\$
100	CABLE NEBRASKA	CABLE TV SRVC	45.95
			\$
100	CENTRAL CITY AUTO PARTS/SHERIFF ACT	CAR REPAIR	76.53
			\$
100	CENTRAL CITY MALL	SUPPLIES	11.39
			\$
100	CENTRAL CITY MALL	BEVERAGES	42.34
			\$
100	CENTRAL DIST OF ASSESSORS	ANNUAL DUES	20.00
			\$
100	CENTRAL DISTRICT HEALTH DEPARTMENT	CONTRACT	2,583.33
			\$
100	CENTRAL PLATTE RESOURCE	#696436	19.50
			\$
100	CENTRAL TRUE VALUE	SUPPLIES	75.06
			\$
100	CENTRAL WASTE DISPOSAL, INC	GARBAGE SRVC	124.52
			\$
100	CITY OF CENTRAL CITY/ UTILITIES	UTILITIES	2,494.78
			\$
100	CITY OF CENTRAL CITY	JAIL UTILITIES	145.42
			\$
100	CLERK OF DISTRICT COURT/CC	COURT COSTS	584.50
			\$
100	CONAWAY PLUMBING	PLUMBING REPR	154.92
			\$

100	CVSOAN TREASURER	EDUCATION	96.00
			\$
100	NE DAS COMMUNICATIONS	EQUIP RENTAL	448.00
			\$
100	DAS IMSERVICES	INTERNET/WEBB	12.00
			\$
100	EAKES OFFICE PLUS	SUPPLIES	12.49
			\$
100	EAKES OFFICE PLUS	SUPPLIES	70.00
			\$
100	ECO WATER SYSTEMS	OFFICE WATER	150.00
			\$
100	EGAN SUPPLY CO.	CLEAN SUPPLIES	419.80
			\$
100	GALL'S INC.	EQUIPMENT	14.98
			\$
100	SCOTT GRAFTON	COURT COSTS	262.50
			\$
100	GRAND ISLAND INDEPENDENT	PUBLICATION	233.09
			\$
100	HANSON GRIME STOPPERS	CLEANING SRVC	2,632.00
			\$
100	HASLER MAILING SYSTEMS	POSTAL INSUR	180.00
			\$
100	MARK HOGUE	CELL PHONE	30.00
			\$
100	ROBERT HUSMANN	MILEAGE	294.80
			\$
100	MIKE HUTCHINSON	MISCELLANEOUS	44.18
			\$
100	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIES, INC	EQUIP REPAIR	2,590.20
			\$
100	JACKSON SERVICES	SERVICE SUPPLY	154.00
			\$
100	JEROM E. JANULEWICZ	COURT COSTS	615.50
			\$
100	JOHN JEFFERSON	MILEAGE	121.00
			\$
100	JENSEN PUBLISHING	PRINTING	53.78
			\$
100	JENSEN PUBLISHING	PUBLICATION	290.89
			\$
100	JENSEN PUBLISHING	SUPPLIES	116.30
			\$
100	JENSEN PUBLISHING	SUPPLIES	116.30
			\$
100	JENSEN PUBLISHING	TAX EXPENSES	165.73
			\$
100	JENSEN PUBLISHING/P&Z	PRINTING	28.51
			\$
100	JOURNAL PRINT SHOP	PRINTING	31.21
			\$
100	JOURNAL PRINT SHOP/P&Z	PRINTING	33.50
			\$
100	JOURNAL PRINT SHOP	SALE NOTICE	159.62
			\$
100	JOURNAL PRINT SHOP	PUBLICATION	354.77
			\$
100	KATIE KLEIN	COURT COSTS	29.90
			\$

100	LEROY KLEVE	BLDG REPAIR	37.25
			\$
100	MICHAEL P KNEALE	ATTY FEES	3,225.00
			\$
100	THOMAS L.KOVANDA	ATTY FEES	2,362.50
			\$
100	LINCOLN COUNTY JUDGE'S OFFICE	COURT EXPENSE	6.50
			\$
100	LITZENBERG/HOSPITAL OPERATING	SUPPORT	8,333.33
			\$
100	LITZENBERG MEMORIAL HOSPITAL	PRISONER MEALS	2,657.00
			\$
100	LOCKWOOD COMPANY INC	SUPPLIES	2,520.77
			\$
100	ROSS A LUZUM, ATTORNEY AT LAW	ATTY FEES	412.50
			\$
100	MAXIMUS CONSULTING SERVICES, INC	CONSULTANT	1,905.39
			\$
100	ANTHONY MCPHILLIPS	MISCELLANEOUS	101.49
			\$
100	MENARDS	CAR REPAIR	37.75
			\$
100	MERRICK CO. COURT	COURT COSTS	728.00
			\$
100	MERRICK CO. EXTENSION SERVICE	MISC EXPENSES	1,632.86
			\$
100	MERRICK CO. HIGHWAY DEPT.	TAX TRANSFER	80,967.09
			\$
100	MERRICK CO. SHERIFF	L.E. TRAINING	15.00
		MISCELLANEOUS	\$
100	MERRICK CO. TREASURER		18,088.80
			\$
100	MICHAEL MEYER	POSTAL/TRAVEL	551.80
			\$
100	MICROFILM IMAGING SYSTEMS, INC	IMAGING	46.00
			\$
100	MIDWEST MAILING SYSTEMS INC	POSTAL	195.00
			\$
100	MIPS INC.	MICROFILMING	1,727.40
			\$
100	JENNIFER MYERS	MILEAGE	78.10
			\$
100	NT&T	TELEPHONE	37.85
			\$
100	NT&T	TELEPHONE	52.01
			\$
100	NT&T	TELEPHONE	78.02
			\$
100	NT&T	TELEPHONE	60.31
			\$
100	NT&T	DC FAXLINE	46.63
			\$
100	NT&T	TELEPHONE	108.34
			\$
100	NT&T/SHOP	TELEPHONE	42.44
			\$
100	NT&T	FAXLINE	46.60
			\$
100	NT&T	TELEPHONE	53.62
			\$

100	NT&T/ROADS	TELEPHONE	57.91
			\$
100	NT&T	TELEPHONE	597.62
			\$
100	NT&T	TELEPHONE	51.49
			\$
100	NT&T	TELEPHONE	73.82
			\$
100	HSBC BUSINESS SOLUTIONS	SUPPLIES	71.97
			\$
100	OFFICENET	EQUIP REPAIR	29.77
			\$
100	OFFICENET	SUPPLIES	891.73
			\$
100	OFFICENET	SUPPLIES	129.18
			\$
100	OFFICENET	SUPPLIES	209.94
			\$
100	OFFICENET/P&Z	SUPPLIES	27.88
			\$
100	OFFICENET,INC.	COPY PAPER	543.64
			\$
100	ORKIN PEST CONTROL	BLDG REPAIR	57.89
			\$
100	PHILLIPS 66-CONOCO-76	FUEL	18.86
			\$
100	JAN PLACKE	MISC/SUPPLIES	131.58
			\$
100	PLATTE VALLEY COMM.	RADIO REPAIR	1,070.30
			\$
100	QWEST	TELEPHONE	47.84
			\$
100	REGION III BEHAVIORIAL HEALTH SERV	2008/2009 1ST	8,473.26
			\$
100	SACK LUMBER CO./ROADS	SUPPLIES	9.98
			\$
100	SAMPSON, CURRY & TWISS P.C.	POSTAL	778.84
			\$
100	SCHENK AUTO S&R/SHERIFF	CAR REPAIR	109.95
			\$
100	SEVEN SPRINGS INC	OFFICE WATER	22.00
			\$
100	SHRED MONSTER INC	MISCELLANEOUS	87.00
			\$
100	DAVID SULLIVAN	CELL PHONE	30.00
			\$
100	SURVEY RECORD REPOSITORY	SUPPLIES	27.50
			\$
100	THOMSON WEST	SUPPLIES	135.00
			\$
100	VISA	FUEL	37.95
			\$
100	PATRICIA A WAGNER	INS REIMBURSE	250.00
			\$
100	WEGNER MONUMENT	SIGNS	220.00
			\$
100	REX WELLER	MILEAGE	233.75
			\$
100	MARCIA WICHMANN	TRAVEL	75.90
			\$

100	JERRY D. WILLHOFT	CONTRACT SRVC	1,241.67
			\$
100	FLEET SERVICES	FUEL	886.48
			\$
	TOTAL		162,885.25
ROADS			\$
300	ACE IRRIGATION & MFG., CO.	CULVERTS	3,112.90
			\$
300	ALLTEL/ROADS	TELEPHONE	31.50
			\$
300	ARCHER SUPPLY INC	FUEL	1,950.20
			\$
300	ASPHALT & CONCRETE MATERIALS CO	ASPHALTIC	1,641.38
			\$
300	AURORA CO-OP ELEVATOR CO.	FUEL	1,284.00
			\$
300	BOMGAARS	REPAIR/SUPPLY	159.57
			\$
300	CALIFORNIA CONTRACTORS SUPPLIES INC	SHOP SUPPLIES	118.30
			\$
300	CENTRAL CITY AUTO PARTS/ROADS	REPAIR/SUPPLY	1,342.95
			\$
300	CENTRAL TRUE VALUE/ROADS	SHOP SUPPLIES	16.85
			\$
300	COMPUTER CONCEPTS INC.	OFFICE SUPPLY	162.90
			\$
300	DEL-RAY ALTERNATORS & STARTERS	REPAIR/SUPPLY	25.02
			\$
300	EAKES OFFICE PLUS INC/ROADS	OFFICE SUPPLY	74.65
			\$
300	GILBARCO INC	FUEL	17.00
			\$
300	GRAND ISLAND CLINIC/ROADS	TEST	25.00
			\$
300	GREEN LINE EQUIPMENT OF CC/ROADS	EQUIP REPAIR	7.48
			\$
300	JIM HAAG	MILEAGE	393.13
			\$
300	HERK'S WELDING SHOP	EQUIP REPAIR	89.75
			\$
300	HIRERIGHT SOLUTIONS INC	DRUG TESTING	119.60
			\$
300	HUSKER CO-OP	FUEL	11.40
			\$
300	ISLAND SUPPLY WELDING CO.	SHOP SUPPLIES	57.88
			\$
300	JACKSON LINEN SERVICE/ROADS	SHOP SUPPLIES	25.82
			\$
300	JENSEN PUBLISHING/ROADS	PUBLISHING	16.80
			\$
300	JOURNAL PRINT SHOP/ROADS	PUBLISHING	22.50
			\$
300	KIRKHAM MICHAEL	ENGINEER FEES	735.00
			\$
300	LITZENBERG HOSPITAL/ROADS	LABORATORY	100.00
			\$
300	MERRICK CO. TREASURER	SALES TAX/0902	522.49
			\$
300	NEBR. MACHINERY CO.	EQUIP/REPAIR	186,389.17

300	PIONEER DOOR,INC.	BLDG REPAIR	\$ 1,050.00
300	SOURCEGAS,LLC	HEATING	\$ 563.31
300	SOUTHERN POWER DISTRICT	ELECTRICITY	\$ 535.02
300	TRIPLE E ENTERPRISES, LLC	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 12.50
300	VEBURG SEED CO.	ROAD MAINTANCE	\$ 120.00
300	VILLAGE OF CHAPMAN	ELECTRICITY	\$ 40.15
300	RONALD WIESE	INS REIMBURSE	\$ 250.00
	TOTAL		\$ 201,024.22
UNEMPLOYMENT			
1200	NE WORKFORCE DEVELOP-DEPT OF LABOR	UNEMPLOYMENT	\$ 2,454.00
	TOTAL		\$ 2,454.00
MEDICAL/RELIEF			
1500	CENTRAL CITY AMBULANCE	PRISONER MEDS	\$ 460.00
1500	LINDA GREGER	CONTRACT SRVC	\$ 135.00
1500	NORM'S U SAVE PHARMACY	PRISONER MEDS	\$ 606.14
	TOTAL		\$ 1,201.14
INSTITUTIONS			
1700	NE HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES	INSTITUTIONS	\$ 429.00
1700	REGION III BEHAVIORIAL HEALTH SERV	INSTITUTION	\$ 676.88
	TOTAL		\$ 1,105.88
JUVENILE DIVERSION			
2355	BUTTERCREAM TRADITIONS	ED CLASSES	\$ 300.00
2355	CENTRAL CITY MALL	SPECIAL EVENTS	\$ 77.79
2355	MERRICK CO DIVERSION	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 2,746.51
2355	RENE'E PETERSON	MISCELLANEOUS	\$ 773.06
2355	SAMPSON, CURRY & TWISS P.C.	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 119.33
2500	MERRICK CO DIVERSION	2009 KIDS CARN	\$ 250.00
	TOTAL		\$ 4,266.69
INHERITANCE			
2700	CENTRAL PLATTE RESOURCE	MOORES CREEK	\$ 3,756.59
2700	KATT SURVEYING	GIS	\$ 4,263.25
2700	MIPS INC.	COMP SUPPORT	\$ 2,288.85
			\$

E 911	TOTAL		10,308.69
			\$
5907	FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS	E911 PHONE SRV	63.30
			\$
5907	GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS	E911 PHONE SRV	23.90
			\$
5907	NNTC	E911 PHONE SRV	139.14
			\$
5907	QWEST	E911 PHONE SRV	238.50
			\$
5907	QWEST	E911 PHONE SRV	474.45
			\$
5907	WEGNER MONUMENT	ROAD	132.00
			\$
	TOTAL		1,071.29

Moved Weller second Hahn to approve the April 2009 claims, with the exception of the claim for \$100.00 rent to Sampson, Curry and Twiss for rent from Juvenile Diversion, because diversion is now on the first floor in the courthouse. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Executive Session: Moved Weller second Euse to go into executive session at 3:28 p.m. for personnel discussion. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Moved Weller second Hahn to go out of executive session at 4:17 p.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Moved Weller, second Euse to adjourn at 4:19 p.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/John Jefferson, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk

April 28, 2009

The Merrick County Board of Supervisors convened as Merrick County Board of Equalization, Tuesday, April 28, 2009 at 9:00 a.m., Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Euse, Hahn, Husmann, Jefferson, Schneiderheinze, Wiegert and Weller present. Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. Proof of publication is filed in the Clerk's office. Copies of the agenda were mailed to each supervisor and kept current and available to the public at the County Clerk's office.

Chairman Jefferson declared the meeting was preceded by publicized notice and having acknowledged and identified the location of the posting of the current copy of the Open Meetings Act called the meeting in open session at 9:00 a.m.

Hahn led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Moved Euse, second Husmann to convene as Board of Equalization at 9:00 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes. **AGENDA:** Moved Husmann, second Hahn to accept the agenda as certified by the County Clerk. Roll Call: All Ayes.

MINUTES: Moved Husmann, second Hahn to approve the minutes of the last meeting. Roll Call: Ayes: Euse, Schneiderheinze, Weller, Hahn, Husmann, and Jefferson. Nays: None Abstain: Wiegert.

Tax Protests: Assessor Placke sent out notice of intent to tax the City of Central City on the Northward School and the McHarge Trailer Court (former the Platte Valley Trailer Court) for 2009, because she did not feel the properties were being used accordingly to be tax exempt. Placke said that the city is now dredging out for a lake for recreation where the trailer court was and now feels it should be tax exempt. Chris Anderson, City Administrator was present and showed the board a drawing of the master plan for that location. Anderson said there will be a soccer field, walking trails, and an aquatic center. There is also a subdivision with 10 lots. Anderson said that all of the trailers are gone except four, which are going to be removed. Nebraska Game and Parks will stock the lake that will be for recreational fishing and will be located about 50 feet from the swimming pool. There will be a retaining wall with a fence on top of it, and the maximum depth of the lake will be 14 feet in the middle because of the fish. They are planning on aerating the lake also. The subdivision was built to kick off more development and all 10 lots and homes will be TIFed. One home is built and sold and one is being built and is a spec house. Anderson said that the Northward School has been burnt by the fire department and they are going to have a contractor come in and take the brick building down. Which will then be used for shelters for picnics, splash pad and have an improved ball field.

Moved Hahn second Euse to approve the tax exemption for the McHargue Trailer Court area. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Moved Weller second Husmann to approve the tax exemption for Northward School. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Tax Corrections: Placke needed approval for three tax corrections. Two were for estate purposes and one was for a business that had closed. Taxes were accelerated for Naomi Samuelson and Lois Steger for estate purposes and taxes were accelerated on J-Max Surplus because the business closed. Moved Euse second Hahn to approve the tax corrections as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Vehicle Exemption: Treasurer Dunham needed approval for a tax exemption for Covenant Cedars Bible Camp, for a 1995 Ford bus VIN #1FBHS31H4SHB90588 they have purchased. Moved Husmann second Euse to approve the vehicle exemption for Covenant Cedars Bible Camp for the 1995 Ford bus. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Moved Euse, second Husmann to adjourn as Board of Equalization at 9:25 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/John Jefferson, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, Merrick County Clerk

April 28, 2009

The Merrick County Board of Supervisors met Tuesday, April 28, 2009, at 9:26 a.m. in the Supervisor's Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Euse, Jefferson, Hahn, Husmann, Schneiderheinze, Wiegert and Weller present.

Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. Proof of publication is filed in the Clerk's office. Copies of the agenda were mailed to each supervisor and kept current and available to the public at the County Clerk's office.

Chairman Jefferson declared the meeting was preceded by publicized notice and having acknowledged and identified the location of the posting of the current copy of the Open Meetings Act called the meeting in open session at 9:27 a.m.

Moved Hahn, second Wiegert to convene at 9:27 a.m. as Board of Supervisors. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Agenda: Moved Husmann, second Weller to accept the agenda as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Minutes: Moved Euse second Weller to approve the minutes of the last meeting as presented. Roll Call: Ayes: Hahn, Husmann, Schneiderheinze, Weller, Euse, and Jefferson. Nays: None Abstain: Wiegert.

New Vice Chairman: Moved Weller to open nomination with a nomination of Norman Euse for the position of Vice Chairman. Moved Hahn second Weller to cease nominations. Roll Call: Ayes: Husmann, Schneiderheinze, Wiegert, Hahn, Weller, and Jefferson. Nays: None Abstain: Euse.

Meeting Report: Hahn attended the Central Nebraska Community Center meeting at Loup City and he and Schneiderheinze

attended the Senior Center meeting. Schneiderheinz also took the train ride from Grand Island to Central City back to Grand Island. Husmann attended the health board meeting.

Officials Report: Sheriff McPhillips reported that he had attended two meetings in Grand Island and Broken Bow concerning the Emergency Operation Centers and he said that he will try to look at finding a room in each community and then get a memorandum with each community to use these rooms. This is so if there should ever be a disaster in which the sheriff would need room and would have it. McPhillips said that the primary buildings are the fire barns but he also needs a secondary. He will also have to look outside of the city buildings because city hall is a processing center for disasters. This will be no cost to the county if the owners of the building will allow the county to do this. McPhillips said the new car is in and just about ready to go on the road. The blazer will be replaced and a Honda CRV is the only vehicle to meet the requirements. McPhillips said the 2000 Ford being used by Extension Agent Darrel Siekman will be surplus.

Purchasing Card: Aaron Gilson with US Bank presented the board with information on the NACO purchasing card program. The board will take this information under advisement and decide at a later date on whether or not to go forward with this purchasing card program.

April 2009 Payroll Claims: The April 2009 payroll claims were presented for approval: General: Gross: \$90,035.85 Net: \$66,142.41 Roads: Gross: \$47,594.87 Net: \$29,819.09 Juvenile Diversion: Gross: \$2,099.50 Net: \$1,764.51.

Moved Weller second Euse to pay Roger Wiegert for half of the month of April not a full months salary. Roll Call: Ayes: Hahn, Husmann, Schneiderheinz, Euse, Weller, and Jefferson. Nays: None Abstain: Wiegert.

Moved Weller second Husmann to approve the April 2009 payroll claims as presented with Wiegert being paid for half the month of April. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Public Hearing: Moved Weller second Hahn to open the public hearing at 10:30 a.m. for two conditional use permits for Bar Lazy D in part of the W1/2SW1/4 8-16-3 and JR Cattle in the SW1/4NW1/4 8-16-3. Roll Call: All Ayes. Scott Beck with Bar Lazy D told the board that this was his livelihood. The owners of the feed yards are Scott Beck and Joe Beck. Dan VanPelt, president of the Bank of Clarks encourage the board to support the Beck's in putting in a 800 head feed yard. VanPelt said that Scott has done everything that was asked of him at the time. He also asked the board to support our ag industry. Moved Euse second Husmann to approve the two conditional use permits for the Beck's. Roll Call: All Ayes. Moved Weller second Euse to close the public hearing at 10:47 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Securities: Securities as of 4-13-2009 and as of 4-20-2009 were given to the board for their review.

County Attorney: County Attorney Curry said he had found a signed agreement with Hamilton County and Merrick County in regards to the Bader/Tooley Park. Weller said that he feels that an audit should be turned into the county boards and Curry said that the income and expenses should be turned in every year. Curry said that the motion made at the last board meeting to sign agreements with Hamilton County and the Peer Group should be withdrawn because a current signed agreement has been located. Moved Euse second Husmann to withdraw the motion made at the last meeting to sign agreements with Hamilton County and the Peer Group. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Curry said in regards to the water problems west of Chapman, should be handled between neighbors. If someone is blocking a natural waterway the neighbors could go to court and get an injunction. Anybody can protect themselves from surface water. The neighbors need to get together and hire an attorney to solve the water issues. If the county comes to a solution it will not be enforceable but in a court ruling it will be. Husmann said that he has had complaint from people complaining that drains are being plugged and after opening them they are filled in again.

Executive Session: Moved Euse second Husmann to go into executive session to discuss personnel issues at 11:24 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Moved Hahn second Husmann to go out of executive session at 11:31 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Moved Husmann second Hahn to turn claim over to insurance company. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Tax Sales: Moved Euse to have the County Treasurer for future tax sales insert that the county does not guarantee collective ability. Dunham and Curry did not know if she was allowed to do this by statute. Euse rescinded his motion and asked Dunham to check the statutes on tax sales.

Bonds: Mike Bowman with Litzenberg Hospital and Wayne Rasmuss with Ameritas came before the board and let them know that the hospital bonds are going to be recalled in June 2009 and new bonds will need to be issued for the ones being refunded. Interest rates started at 3.65% and went up to 5.20% on old bonds. The new bonds would start at 1.40% and go up to 4.55%. The purchase of extra bonds for \$25,000.00 is for extra costs. The new bonds will have a savings of \$151,013.75. Rasmuss gave Curry a resolution to recall the old bond and reissue the new bonds to look over.

Moved Hahn second Husmann to sign the resolution to recall the old hospital bonds. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Moved Euse second Weller to sign the resolution to reissue new bonds for the ones being refunded. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Heating and Air: Dan Schinstock with Engineering Technologies told the board that they are still going to use McIlnay's for the sheet metal. They took prices for control contractors and for the contractor whose bid was acceptable it was recommended to use McIlnay. Schinstock said that on a cold windy winter day that there would still be a cold draft in the northwest corner. Electric base board heaters could be installed by Anderson Bros. for \$5,814.00. Beth Pullen put a temperature recorder in the data room and the temperature ranged from 67 to 73 degrees, so he said not to worry about the data room. The wireless

thermostats are \$35.00 and the wire ones are \$35.00 more. The wireless thermostats do not have the lock out screen option but the wire ones do. Moved Husmann second Wiegert to go with the wire thermostats at the same cost as the wireless. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Roofing Estimate: Rick Stueven DBA Lone Tree Construction, submitted a bid to roof the house at Bader Park on August 27, 2008 for \$9,391.41. He resubmitted the bid to the board for \$11,453.09. The first bid was good for thirty days. Materials since then have gone up and so has the dump fee. Stueven said he would keep his labor at the same cost as the first bid. Stueven said that he would need a check sent to Sack Lumber for the materials only in the amount of \$7,673.39 and the remainder when he finished. Stueven said that he was not told that he had the bid. The board said that Pat Carlson was told he had the bid and that she was to have notified him of this. Stueven said she had just told him. The board said that the cost to Sack Lumber included sales tax and the county is tax exempt. The amount owed to Sack would be \$7,205.06 and the remainder would be \$3,779.00. Moved Hahn second Husmann to go with the new bid from Rick Stueven to roof the house at Bader Park for \$10,984.06. This is the amount after the sales tax has been taken off. Roll Call: Ayes: Weller, Schneiderheinze, Husmann, Hahn, Wiegert, and Jefferson. Nays: Euse.

Moved Euse to deduct \$2,000.00 to \$1,400.00 from the balance owed to Bader Park till Pat Carlson can come up with a reason as to why she did not notify Stueven about the acceptance of his bid. Motion died for lack of second.

Split: Approval for Richard and Susan Brown to split a part of the N1/2NW1/4 of 30-13-6. This will be the last split of the quarter. The tax lot was 10 acres. Moved Weller second Husmann to approve the split for Richard and Susan Brown for a part of the N1/2NW1/4 of 30-13-6. Roll Call: All Ayes.

RESOLUTION 2009-8: Approval of RESOLUTION 2009-8 to adopt regulations for land application of paunch manure and commercial biodegradable waste in Merrick County, Nebraska. Moved Husmann second Weller to approve RESOLUTION 2009-8. Roll Call: All Ayes. RESOLUTION 2009-8 is on file in the County Clerk's office.

Grime Stoppers: Dawn Hanson DBA Grime Stoppers came before the board and said that she welcomed any comments from offices and officials of what she can do to do better or what she needs to do different. Jefferson said that it was brought to his attention that the swinging doors into the courtroom have been damaged. The veneer was coming off at the top and there were black marks. Beth Pullen said that someone has rammed thru the door. Dawn said that she did not know who had done that as she wears a canister vac on her back in that room. Pullen said that she thought maybe a different vac needed to be used because it doesn't look like its getting cleaned. Dennis O'Nele repaired the veneer.

Budget: Board told Andrew Simmons that there was a deficit of \$144,925.70 at the end of March in the general fund. The county is \$54,000.00 short on the interest part so far. The board would like Simmons to look at the budget and see if he can come up with an answer before having a hearing. Treasurer Dunham will run off an end of the month report for Simmons at the end of April.

Bamford Contract: Approval of the Bamford, Inc. water-based fire protection system inspection and testing agreement for \$200.00 was needed. Moved Weller second Husmann to approve the Bamford Contract for the fire system. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Moved Hahn second Euse to adjourn at 2:45 p.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/John Jefferson, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk

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May 12, 2009

The Merrick County Board of Supervisors convened as Merrick County Board of Equalization, Tuesday, May 12, 2009, at 9:00 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Euse, Hahn, Jefferson, Husmann, Schneiderheinze, Weller, Wiegert, and Deputy County Clerk Trish Fate-Strobel present.

Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. Proof of publication is filed in the Clerk's Office. Copies of the agenda were mailed to each Supervisor and kept current and available to the public at the County Clerk's Office.

Chairman Jefferson declared the meeting was preceded by publicized notice and having acknowledged and identified the location of the posting of the current copy of the Open Meetings Act, called the meeting to order and in open session at 9:00 a.m.

Schneiderheinze led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Moved Weller, second Husmann to convene as Board of Equalization at 9:00 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Agenda: Moved Euse, Second Hahn to accept the agenda as certified by the County Clerk. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Minutes: Moved Weller, Second Hahn to approve the April 28, 2009 minutes. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Vehicle Exemption: Treasurer Dunham needed approval for a tax exemption for the Palmer Boy Scouts on a 2-wheel trailer VIN#5LABE08187M015085 they have purchased. Moved Husmann, second Weller to approve the vehicle exemption for the Palmer Boy Scouts the tax exemption. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Tax Corrections: Deputy Co. Assessor Lani needed approval for three tax corrections. Taxes were accelerated for Virginia Marsh for estate purposes and taxes were accelerated on Larry & Joyce Petersen & Gregory Greving for houses being moved off of said properties. Moved Husmann, second Hahn to approve the tax corrections as presented. Roll Call: Ayes: Hahn, Schneiderheinze, Husmann, Weller, Wiegert & Jefferson. Nays: None Abstain: Euse. Lani also suggested setting up dates for the protest hearings and a day to set the final values. The board agreed to protest hearings to be held Tuesday, June 30 and July 7, 2009 beginning at 9:00 a.m. The date for setting the final values will be on Wednesday, July 22, 2009 at 9:00 a.m. Moved Weller, second Wiegert to adjourn as Board of Equalization at 9:20 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/John Jefferson, Chairman

/s/Trisha Fate-Strobel, Merrick County Deputy Clerk

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk

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May 12, 2009

The Merrick County Board of Supervisors met Tuesday, May 12, 2009, at 9:21 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Euse, Hahn, Jefferson, Husmann, Schneiderheinze, Weller, Wiegert, and Deputy County Clerk Trish Fate-Strobel present.

Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. Proof of publication is filed in the Clerk's Office. Copies of the agenda were mailed to each Supervisor and kept current and available to the public at the County Clerk's Office.

Chairman Jefferson declared the meeting was preceded by publicized notice and having acknowledged and identified the location of the posting of the current copy of the Open Meetings Act, called the meeting to order and in open session at 9:21 a.m.

Moved Husmann, second Hahn to convene as Board of Supervisors at 9:22 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes

Agenda: Moved Husmann, Second Wiegert to approve the agenda as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Minutes: Moved Weller, Second Husmann to approve the minutes of the last meeting as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Meeting Reports: Schneiderheinze attended the Midland Area of Aging last Thursday, May 7th. Weller attended the Merrick County Development Corporation meeting and Husmann attended the Health Board meeting May 11th. Euse attended the Federal Emergency Management Meeting with Sheriff McPhillips.

Official Reports: Treasurer Dunham came before the board to discuss the general ledger. In April, they took in \$10,000 short of \$5,000,000 in taxes and in May they took in \$677,000 plus in taxes. The interest rates are still low; however, the general fund appears to be in good standing for at least the next few months. Sheriff McPhillips came before the board regarding the contract with Information Technologies

Supervisor Meyer told the board that Jack Sweet called Monday evening regarding a culvert on W Road between 26th & 27th Road where there is a reoccurring culvert being washed out.

Jerry Willhoft came before the board to inform them the legislature has cut back on funding and had to let two lead inspectors go, which means our agriculture inspector is gone. Nine counties had applied for grants and we were the only county not to be accepted. He believes the spraying of the 12 1/2 miles in Merrick County along the river has been successful and would like to maintain 10 to 12 miles a year. Planning & Zoning Administrator Myers handed out the building & zoning permits to

the members which were updated with the city permits.

Electric Heating: Dan Schinstock with Engineering Technologies, Inc. emailed County Clerk Wichmann stating there would be an additional cost of \$500 to include the different thermostat. The only difference between the two thermostats is that the better thermostat has the capability of programming a system shutdown on holidays as well as weekends while the other thermostat only weekends can be programmed. It was decided to wait on the electric heat on the north side of the building until a later date. Moved Weller, second Husmann to approve the \$500 additional cost for the better thermostat. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Landowners for Fairness: Van Galusha came before the board as a member of the Landowners for Fairness to bring up some possible situations that may occur in the future and what benefits the county board would have by signing the National Environmental Policy Act. Possible issues, different thickness of pipelines and more pounds of pressure. The depth of the pipelines, what liabilities will the landowners possibly face, 20 to 30 years down the road, what happens if they no longer need the use of the pipeline? Galusha said that being a part of the NEPA, there is no cost to the county and the board would receive information and timelines on the progression. Merrick County could sign as a cooperating governing body, if the board chooses to sign, they would need to have the paperwork signed and sent by Friday, May 15, 2009, or they could also use the option to email their response. Stan Dobrovolny with the Landowners for Fairness also approached the board about having the county to be a cooperating agency concerning the pipeline. He also wanted it to be known, he is not trying to stop the pipeline just feels being part of the NEPA would benefit the county. Once the county receives the cooperating agency status, they can compile a list of concerns in place regarding clean up, liability, financial issues and possible abandonment. If these are refused, it would have to be done in writing and then would become part of record stating what issues the county had concerns with and the liability would not become an issue for the landowner. Once the pipeline has the permits in place there is nothing we can do as a county, which is why he feels strongly about the board signing on with NEPA. Motion: Husmann, second Hahn to sign the National Environmental Policy Act upon approval from County Attorney Curry. Roll Calls: All Ayes.

Regional 3 Health: County Attorney Steve Curry addressed the board regarding a bill he had received from Mary Lanning. It was told to him that if an individual is EPC the cost of care of the patient is the responsibility of the county and Regional 3 Health only pays for indigent care. The cost for the county would be \$678 a day which is the initial three day cost. He also requested the County Clerk provide him a copy of the contract the county has with Regional 3 Health.

Platte Peer Group: County Attorney Curry stated he has a signed interlocal agreement with the Platte Peer Group; however, he does not have a signed management agreement. It had been originally drafted but nothing had ever been followed through. The Chairman of Merrick County and the Chairman of the Platte Peer Group would have to sign said agreement. Curry also stated he has the audit report for Bader Park and will be bringing that into the Clerk's office. Securities were presented to the board for review.

April 2009 Fees and May 2009 Claims: The April 2009 fees for the County Clerk, Clerk of the District Court and the Sheriff were presented for approval.

The May 2009 claims were presented to the board for approval:

FUND	NAME	INVDISC	TOTCLAIMS
GENERAL			\$
100	A & P PROCESS SERVICE	COURT COSTS	36.27
100	ALL FAITHS FUNERAL HOME	CORONER	350.00
100	ALLTEL/ROADS	TELEPHONE	53.06
100	BADER PARK PLATTE PEER GROUP	BADER PARK	4,182.00
100	DOROTHY D BENTON	ATTY FEES	1,638.75
100	PAUL BEYER	CELL PHONE	30.00
100	BOSELMAN ENERGY, INC	LAWN CARE FUEL	22.66
100	PAUL BRILL	CELL PHONE	30.00
100	GEORGE E BRUGH	MH BOARD	387.00
100	CABLE NEBRASKA	CABLE TV SRVC	53.95

100	JESSIE CARLSON	MH BOARD	70.00
			\$
100	CENTRAL CITY AUTO PARTS/SHERIFF ACT	CAR REPAIR	18.67
			\$
100	CENTRAL CITY MALL	SUPPLIES	3.98
			\$
100	CENTRAL CITY MALL	SUPPLIES	11.39
			\$
100	CENTRAL CITY MALL	POP MACHINE	107.98
			\$
100	CENTRAL CITY MALL	SUPPLIES	14.80
			\$
100	CENTRAL DISTRICT HEALTH DEPARTMENT	CONTRACT	2,583.33
			\$
100	CENTRAL TRUE VALUE	SUPPLIES	644.76
			\$
100	CENTRAL TRUE VALUE	CAR SUPPLIES	40.75
			\$
100	CHIEF	CAR	87.98
			\$
100	CITY OF CENTRAL CITY/ UTILITIES	UTILITIES	2,201.59
			\$
100	CITY OF CENTRAL CITY	JAIL UTILITIES	71.98
			\$
100	CITY OF G.I. UTILITIES DEPT	UTILITIES	15.90
			\$
100	CLERK OF DISTRICT COURT/CC	COURT COSTS	948.64
			\$
100	STEVE CURRY	INS REIMBURSE	500.00
			\$
100	NE DAS COMMUNICATIONS	EQUIP RENTAL	448.00
			\$
100	DAS IMSERVICES	INTERNET	12.00
			\$
100	DELL MARKETING	SUPPLIES	99.99
			\$
100	KAREN DUNHAM	INS REIMBURSE	250.00
			\$
100	EAKES OFFICE PLUS	SUPPLIES	192.65
			\$
100	EAKES OFFICE PLUS	SUPPLIE	27.19
			\$
100	ECO WATER SYSTEMS	OFFICE WATER	157.00
			\$
100	ESRI	DATA PROCESS	400.00
			\$
100	NORMAN EUSE	MILEAGE	184.25
			\$
100	GALL'S INC.	CAR	2,171.93
			\$
100	THERESA GOOD	TRAVEL/MEALS	187.40
			\$
100	SCOTT GRAFTON	ATTY FEES	862.50
			\$
100	GREEN 5TH AND EDDY SHOPS	CAR REPAIR	1,174.49
			\$
100	GROSSHANS INC	CAR REPAIR	21.34
			\$
100	HAMILTON CO SHERIFF	COURT EXPENSE	15.50
			\$

100	HAMILTON COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE	COPIES & FAX	3.00
			\$
100	HAMILTON COUNTY COURT	COURT EXPENSE	2.00
			\$
100	HAMILTON TELECOMMUNICATIONS	EQUIPMENT	297.08
			\$
100	HANSON GRIME STOPPERS	CONTRACT SRVC	1,316.00
			\$
100	MARK HOGUE	CELL PHONE	30.00
			\$
100	HOLIDAY INN LINCOLN-DOWNTOWN	LODGING	140.00
			\$
100	MIKE HUTCHINSON	CELL PHONE	30.00
			\$
100	IOWA NCRAAO 2009/ATTN:AARON BETTS	REGISTRATION	235.00
			\$
100	JACKSON SERVICES	SRVC SUPPORT	154.00
			\$
100	JENSEN PUBLISHING	PRINTING	58.90
			\$
100	JENSEN PUBLISHING	SUPPLIES	110.55
			\$
100	JENSEN PUBLISHING	PUBLICATION	404.81
			\$
100	JENSEN PUBLISHING	PUBLICATION	82.20
			\$
100	JENSEN PUBLISHING	SUPPLIES	49.84
			\$
100	JENSEN PUBLISHING/P&Z	PRINTING	28.51
			\$
100	JOURNAL PRINT SHOP	PRINTING	14.00
			\$
100	JOURNAL PRINT SHOP/P&Z	PRINTING	30.25
			\$
100	JOURNAL PRINT SHOP	SUPPLIES	47.25
			\$
100	JOURNAL PRINT SHOP	PUBLICATION	407.50
			\$
100	JOURNAL PRINT SHOP	PUBLICATION	17.50
			\$
100	KATT SURVEYING	GPS DATA	1,179.00
			\$
100	BRIAN KLUCK	MH BOARD	185.65
			\$
100	MICHAEL P KNEALE	ATTY FEES	592.50
			\$
100	THOMAS L.KOVANDA	ATTY FEES	3,450.00
			\$
100	KRIZ-DAVIS CO	SUPPLIES	231.10
			\$
100	KUSTOM SIGNALS INC.	CAR	217.93
			\$
100	LANCASTER CO SHERIFF	COURT COSTS	7.32
			\$
100	LEXISNEXIS	LAW LIBRARY	417.00
			\$
100	LITZENBERG/HOSPITAL OPERATING	SUPPORT	8,333.33
			\$
100	LITZENBERG MEMORIAL HOSPITAL	PRISONERS BRD	2,673.50
			\$

100	MARY LIVINGSTON	ATTY FEES	772.75
			\$
100	ROSS A LUZUM, ATTORNEY AT LAW	ATTY FEES	221.25
			\$
100	MCI	TELEPHONE	71.45
			\$
100	MCILNAY & CO	LAWN EQUIP	354.28
			\$
100	ANTHONY MCPHILLIPS	CELL PHONE	30.00
			\$
100	MERRICK CO. COURT	COURT COSTS	324.75
			\$
100	MERRICK CO. EXTENSION SERVICE	MISCELLANEOUS	8,425.61
			\$
100	MERRICK CO. HIGHWAY DEPT.	PROP TAX 2008	80,967.09
			\$
100	MERRICK CO. TREASURER	MISC EXPENSES	7,992.12
			\$
100	CLIFFORD F MESNER	ATTY FEES	80.00
			\$
100	MICHAEL MEYER	TRAVEL/POSTAGE	921.50
			\$
100	MICROFILM IMAGING SYSTEMS, INC	IMAGING/SCAN	92.00
			\$
100	MIPS INC.	MICROFILMING	777.49
			\$
100	MIPS INC.	MICROFILMING	400.00
			\$
100	MIPS INC.	SUPPLIES	300.25
			\$
100	JENNIFER MYERS	MISCELLANEOUS	174.29
			\$
100	NACO	REGISTRATION	75.00
			\$
100	NANCE COUNTY SHERIFF	COURT COSTS	77.24
			\$
100	NEBR. CRIME COMMISSION	DIRECTORY	7.00
			\$
100	STATE OF NE/DEPT CORRECTIONAL SVCS	PRISONERS BRD	197.16
			\$
100	NE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES	COURT EXPENSE	4.00
	NEBRASKA AUDITOR OF PUBLIC		\$
100	ACCOUNTS	AUDIT FEE	17,146.18
			\$
100	NESCA TRAINING	LE TRAINING	65.00
		ELEVATOR	\$
100	NT&T	PHONE	37.85
			\$
100	NT&T	TELEPHONE	53.40
			\$
100	NT&T	TELEPHONE	86.36
			\$
100	NT&T	TELEPHONE	69.26
			\$
100	NT&T	DC FAX	47.28
			\$
100	NT&T	TELEPHONE	117.92
			\$
100	NT&T/SHOP	TELEPHONE	44.91
		COURTHOUSE	\$

100	NT&T	FAX	50.07
			\$
100	NT&T	TELEPHONE	45.83
			\$
100	NT&T/ROADS	TELEPHONE	53.97
			\$
100	NT&T	TELEPHONE	528.90
			\$
100	NT&T	TELEPHONE	55.95
			\$
100	NT&T	TELEPHONE	79.40
			\$
100	OFFICENET	SUPPLIES	248.90
			\$
100	OFFICENET	SUPPLIES	25.99
			\$
100	OFFICENET	SUPPLIES	79.05
			\$
100	OFFICENET	SUPPLIES	186.35
			\$
100	OFFICENET,INC.	PAPER SUPPLIES	490.03
			\$
100	ORKIN PEST CONTROL	BLDG REPAIR	57.89
			\$
100	PALSER SERVICE	CAR REPAIR	24.00
			\$
100	PHILLIPS 66-CONOCO-76	FUEL	30.86
			\$
100	PLATTE COUNTY COURT	SUPPLIES	10.90
			\$
100	QWEST	TELEPHONE	47.94
			\$
100	RAMADA INN	LE TRAINING	65.00
			\$
100	RED THE UNIFORM TAILOR ANN ROSENBERRY SEC/TREAS CDC	UNIFORM	90.94
			\$
100	ASSOC	DUES	25.00
			\$
100	SAM'S CLUB DIRECT	SUPPLIES/MNTCE	216.96
			\$
100	SAMPSON, CURRY & TWISS P.C.	MISC EXPENSES	735.10
			\$
100	SCHENK AUTO S&R/SHERIFF	CAR REPAIR	287.00
			\$
100	SEVEN SPRINGS INC	OFFICE WATER	15.00
			\$
100	SHRED MONSTER INC	SHRED SERVICE	54.00
			\$
100	MORGAN SMITH, DEPUTY CO ATTORNEY	ATTY FEES	131.25
			\$
100	STANARD APPRAISAL SERVICE, INC.	CONTRACT MAINT	1,980.00
			\$
100	DAVID SULLIVAN	CELL PHONES	30.00
			\$
100	T.O. HAAS TIRE	EQUIP REPAIR	34.22
			\$
100	VISA	TRAVEL	68.90
			\$
100	REX WELLER	MILEAGE	49.50
			\$

100	MARCIA WICHMANN	TRAVEL/MEALS	152.67
			\$
100	ROGER WIEGERT	MILEAGE	19.80
			\$
100	JERRY D. WILLHOFT	CONTRACT SRVC	1,241.67
			\$
100	FLEET SERVICES	FUEL	896.42
			\$
100	XEROX CORPORATION	SUPPLIES	90.00
			\$
	TOTAL		169,188.25
ROADS			\$
300	ACE IRRIGATION & MFG., CO.	CULVERTS	2,990.10
			\$
300	ALL ROADS BARRICADES, INC	SIGNS & POSTS	296.40
			\$
300	ARCHER SUPPLY INC	FUEL	2,049.80
			\$
300	AURORA CO-OP ELEVATOR CO.	FUEL	1,575.00
			\$
300	BOMGAARS	REPAIR/SUPPLY	135.55
			\$
300	BOSELMAN INC/ROADS	SHOP SUPPLIES	500.00
			\$
300	CENTRAL CITY AUTO PARTS/ROADS	REPAIR/SUPPLY	583.34
			\$
300	CENTRAL TRUE VALUE/ROADS	EQUIP REPAIR	23.05
			\$
300	DANKO EMERGENCY EQUIPMENT CO	EQUIP REPAIR	208.38
			\$
300	KRIS ERICKSON	INS REIMBURSE	250.00
			\$
300	FILTER CARE	EQUIP REPAIR	120.00
			\$
300	JOHN FISHLER	INS REIMBURSE	250.00
			\$
300	FLAGLE REPAIR	EQUIP REPAIR	75.00
			\$
300	GILBARCO INC	FUEL	17.00
			\$
300	GREEN LINE EQUIPMENT OF CC/ROADS	REPAIR/SUPPLY	67.32
			\$
300	HERK'S WELDING SHOP	REPAIR & LABOR	24.90
			\$
300	HUSKER CO-OP	FUEL	851.94
			\$
300	INTERSTATE BATTERY SYSTEM	SUPPLIES	365.85
			\$
300	ISLAND SUPPLY WELDING CO.	SHOP SUPPLIES	39.75
			\$
300	JACKSON LINEN SERVICE/ROADS	SHOP SUPPLIES	25.82
			\$
300	KIRKHAM MICHAEL	ENGINEER FEES	735.00
			\$
300	MCILNAY & CO., INC./ROADS	EQUIP REPAIR	10.60
			\$
300	MERRICK CO. TREASURER	SALES TAX-MRCH	60.65
			\$
300	NEBR. MACHINERY CO.	EQUIP REPAIR	5,469.57

			\$
300	STATE OF NE/SURPLUS PROPERTY	EQUIPMENT	800.00
			\$
300	OVERLAND SAND & GRAVEL	GRAVEL	10,245.64
			\$
300	PALMER SERVICE CENTER	FUEL	918.00
			\$
300	PALSER SERVICE/ROADS	TIRES	389.35
			\$
300	PRECISION INDUSTRIES,INC	SHOP SUPPLIES	123.04
			\$
300	PRESCO SALES & SERVICE	GRADER BLADES	6,269.40
			\$
300	JOHN E PROSOSKI	MILEAGE	13.75
			\$
300	SAPP BROS. PETROLEUM	FUEL	12,054.42
			\$
300	SOURCEGAS,LLC	HEATING	469.81
			\$
300	SOUTHERN POWER DISTRICT	ELECTRICITY	502.33
			\$
300	VILLAGE OF CHAPMAN	ELECTRICITY	40.45
			\$
300	WELDON INDUSTRIES, INC.	REPAIR/SUPPLY	18.97
			\$
	TOTAL		48,570.18
LODGING			
		SUPPORT	\$
990	CENTRAL CITY AIRPORT	PROMO	350.00
			\$
	TOTAL		350.00
RELIEF/MEDICAL			
			\$
1500	LINDA GREGER	CONTRACT SRVC	135.00
			\$
1500	LITZENBERG CO. HOSPITAL	PRISONER MEDS	3,247.40
			\$
1500	NORM'S U SAVE PHARMACY	PRISONER MEDS	468.28
			\$
	TOTAL		3,850.68
INSTITUTIONS			
			\$
1700	NE HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES	INSTITUTIONS	926.00
			\$
	TOTAL		926.00
JUVENILLE DIVERSION			
			\$
2355	SAMPSON, CURRY & TWISS P.C.	TELEPHONE-DIV	14.33
			\$
	TOTAL		14.33
INHERITANCE			
			\$
2700	CENTRAL PLATTE RESOURCE	#1584	7,056.11
		COMPUTER	\$
2700	MIPS INC.	SUPP	2,288.85
			\$
	TOTAL		9,344.96
E911			
			\$
5907	FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS	E911 PHONE SRV	63.30

5907	GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS	E911 PHONE SRV	\$ 81.80
5907	NNTC	E911 PHONE SRV	\$ 139.14
5907	WEGNER MONUMENT	SIGNS	\$ 176.00
	TOTAL		\$ 460.24

Moved Wiegert, second Husmann to approve the April 2009 fees and to pay the May 2009 claims. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Moved Euse, second Husmann to adjourn at 11:24 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/John Jefferson, Chairman

/s/Trisha L. Fate-Strobel, Deputy County Clerk

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk

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May 26, 2009

The Merrick County Board of Supervisors convened as Merrick County Board of Equalization, Tuesday, May 26, 2009, at 9:00 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Euse, Hahn, Husmann, Schneiderheinz, Weller, and Wiegert present. Chairman Jefferson was absent. Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. Proof of publication is filed in the Clerk's Office. Copies of the agenda were mailed to each Supervisor and kept current and available to the public at the County Clerk's Office.

Vice Chairman Euse declared the meeting was preceded by publicized notice and having acknowledged and identified the location of the posting of the current copy of the Open Meetings Act, called the meeting to order and in open session at 9:00 a.m.

County Clerk Wichmann led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Moved Husmann, second Wiegert to convene as Board of Equalization at 9:00 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Agenda: Moved Hahn, Second Husmann to accept the agenda as certified by the County Clerk. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Minutes: Moved Wiegert, Second Weller to approve the May 12, 2009 minutes. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Vehicle Exemption: Treasurer Dunham needed approval for a tax exemption application for Covenant Cedars Bible Camp for a 2007 home made utility trailer, 1980 H & H Utility trailer, 1990 two wheel utility trailer, 1998 Chevrolet pickup VIN#1GCEC14WOWZ244883, 1994 Ford Van VIN#1FMCA11U6RZA14653, 2004 Ford Van VIN#2FMZA57644BA45387, 2003 Chevrolet pickup VIN#1GCEK19T73Z196327, 2000 Ford bus VIN#1FBSS31LOYHB60362. Moved Husmann, second Hahn to have the vice chairman sign the tax exemption application for Covenant Cedars Bible Camp. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Tax Corrections: Assessor Placke needed approval for two tax corrections; one for Roger Johnson for a leased pivot assessed twice and Bill Kucera for a leased pivot assessed twice. The leasing company and the owner were both taxed for the pivots. Moved Weller, second Husmann to approve the vice chairman to sign the two tax corrections. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Changes to tax roll after March 19, 2009: Assessor Placke needed approval to make a change to parcel #4437 for Dr. Fowles for a guest house that was added. Moved Weller, second Wiegert to approve the tax roll change. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Hearing: Assessor Placke asked to set an exemption hearing for the Hallmark building for the Merrick Foundation and Covenant Cedars Bible Camp. Placke was going to set it for June 9, 2009 but needed more time for publications so asked for June 23, 2009 at 9:00 a.m. Moved Hahn, second Husmann to set the hearing for June 23, 2009 at 9:00 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Moved Husmann, second Hahn to adjourn as Board of Equalization at 9:14 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/Norman Euse, Vice Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk

May 26, 2009

The Merrick County Board of Supervisors met Tuesday, May 26, 2009, at 9:15 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Euse, Hahn, Jefferson, Husmann, Schneiderheinz, Weller, and Wiegert present. Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. Proof of publication is filed in the Clerk's Office. Copies of the agenda were mailed to each Supervisor and kept current and available to the public at the County Clerk's Office.

Vice Chairman Euse declared the meeting was preceded by publicized notice and having acknowledged and identified the location of the posting of the current copy of the Open Meetings Act, called the meeting to order and in open session at 9:15 a.m.

Moved Weller, second Wiegert to convene as Board of Supervisors at 9:15 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes

Agenda: Moved Hahn, second Wiegert to approve the agenda as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Minutes: Moved Weller, second Wiegert to approve the minutes of the last meeting as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Meeting Reports: Weller attended the Economic Development meeting, Husmann attended the Bader Park meeting and passed around their audit report for the board's inspection, and Wiegert attended the Board of Equalization workshop held in Kearney.

Official Reports: None.

May 2009 payroll claims: The May 2009 payroll claims were presented for approval: General: Gross: \$90,315.63 Net: \$66,386.08 Roads: Gross: \$43,123.20 Net: \$26,804.01 Juvenile Diversion: Gross: \$2,073.50 Net: \$1,744.97

Moved Wiegert, second Husmann to approve the May 2009 payroll claims as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Purchase cards: Moved Husmann, second Weller to approve the US Bank Purchase Cards for each office and each official would be responsible for their own cards and who is authorized to use them. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Health Insurance Contract: Clerk Wichmann told the board that at the Blue Cross Blue Shield meeting on Thursday, she was told that the contracts were being mailed on that day or the next and would need to be returned by June 1, 2009. Helen

Bly with BC/BS said that the contracts could be signed and returned with a note saying that the County Boards would make a decision on a certain date and that BC/BS would not do anything until then, but the contracts had to be returned. Moved Husmann, second Hahn to sign the Blue Cross Blue Shield contract and returned it saying it will be determined on June 9, 2009. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Overland Sand & Gravel Conditional Use Permit: Planning & Zoning Administrator Jennifer Myers told the board that the conditional use permit for Overland Sand & Gravel had been done five years ago was to be reviewed on the fifth year. Moved Weller, second Husmann to extend the conditional use permit for Overland Sand & Gravel for another five years. Roll Call: All Ayes.

License plates: Treasurer Dunham needed approval to go alphanumerical or stay as we are with the license plates in the year 2011. Moved Weller, second Husmann to stay as we are with the license plates. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Health insurance: Dan Duren, a representative with Benefit Management gave the board hand outs and a presentation on the insurance that his company has.

Personnel Handbook: Assessor Placke told the board that the officials had reviewed the handbook and it was ready for the board to review. Placke asked the board if they wanted to have an attorney look it over first and the board said they thought that would be a good idea. Placke said that she had contacted NIRMA about their labor attorney's looking it over, but has not received any response as to how much they would charge. Clerk Wichmann is to check with other counties to see who they hired and for how much. Moved Hahn, second Weller to hire an attorney to review the personnel handbook for under \$500.00 before giving it to the board. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Hospital bond refund papers: Treasurer Dunham said that she was not going to sign the papers because she did not approve of the wording. She said that she has nothing to do with these bonds and would not sign something that says that she received a certain amount of money and didn't. She didn't know what account the money would go to or the account number. County Attorney Curry said that the board should pass a resolution to approve the chair person signing the refunding documents as soon as the changes are made as far as paying agent language is changed in the closing documents. Moved Weller, second Husmann to approve the chairperson signing the closing documents after the language changes were made. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Budget: Clerk Wichmann told the board that there are two funds that will need to be amended and a hearing will be needed. The monies will not be tax asking dollars. The funds are the Juvenile Diversion Grant and the COPs Federal Grant. The right amount of money was not budgeted. Moved Husmann, second Wiegert to have a budget amendment hearing June 9, 2009 at 10:00 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Securities were given to the board for their review.

Moved Weller, second Husmann to adjourn at 11:50 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/Norman Euse, Vice Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk

August 11, 2009

The Merrick County Board of Supervisors convened as Merrick County Board of Equalization, Tuesday, August 11, 2009, at 9:00 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Euse, Hahn, Husmann, Jefferson, Schneiderheinze, Weller, and Wiegert present. Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. Proof of publication is filed in the Clerk's Office. Copies of the agenda were mailed to each Supervisor and kept current and available to the public at the County Clerk's Office.

Chairman Jefferson declared the meeting was preceded by publicized notice and having acknowledged and identified the location of the posting of the current copy of the Open Meetings Act, called the meeting to order and in open session at 9:00 a.m.

Husmann led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Moved Wiegert, second Husmann to convene as Board of Equalization at 9:00 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Agenda: Moved Euse second Hahn to accept the agenda as certified by the County Clerk. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Minutes: Moved Husmann, second Euse to approve the minutes as published. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Tax Correction: Deputy Assessor Jennifer Lani presented the board with tax correction #3523 ID # 1132 for Carl Brunken for a house that had burned and the taxes were accelerated. Moved Husmann second Hahn to approve and have the chairman sign tax correction #3523. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Moved Euse second Husmann to adjourn as Board of Equalization at 9:05 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/John Jefferson, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk

August 11, 2009

The Merrick County Board of Supervisors met Tuesday, August 11, 2009, at 9:05 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Euse, Hahn, Jefferson, Husmann, Schneiderheinze, Weller, and Wiegert present.

Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. Proof of publication is filed in the Clerk's Office. Copies of the agenda were mailed to each Supervisor and kept current and available to the public at the County Clerk's Office.

Chairman Jefferson declared the meeting was preceded by publicized notice and having acknowledged and identified the location of the posting of the current copy of the Open Meetings Act, called the meeting to order and in open session at 9:05 a.m.

Moved Weller, second Euse to convene as Board of Supervisors at 9:05 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes

Agenda: Moved Hahn, second Husmann to approve the agenda as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Minutes: Moved Husmann second Wiegert to approve the minutes as published. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Meeting Reports: Hahn attended the Midland Area on Aging meeting in Hastings. Weller attended the Merrick County Development Corporation meeting, Husmann attended the health board meeting on Monday night, and Jefferson attended the NRD meeting about the bike and hike trail.

Officials Report: Weed Superintendent Jerry Wilhoft went to the Platte Valley Weed Management meeting and said that it was decided that they will not spray anybody that doesn't sign the agreement with them. Wilhoft said there are 168 parcels, 119 landowners, and 45 have not signed and returned their agreements. The spraying will start about September 1, 2009 with 6000 acres. When the spraying is done 3.1 million dollars will have been spent on the project. Sheriff McPhillips told the board that Darrel Siekman had been involved in an accident with the blazer from the sheriff's office. The other drivers insurance should take care of the accident as it was the other drivers fault. There is a possibility that the blazer will be totaled so McPhillips said that he would give Siekman the 2000 dodge and not surplus any vehicles. Planning & Zoning Administrator Jennifer Myers handed out a list of permits that went out in May, June, and July 2009. Myers said that Soil Builders is back in Merrick and is doing 7 corners up by Palmer. Highway Superintendent Mike Meyer said the under carriage on the track loader needed to be repaired and that would be done this winter. The parts will cost around \$13,000.00 and Merrick County will do the labor.

Health Insurance: Ben Royle, with Cornerstone Bank with a branch for insurance with Cornerstone Insurance Group, gave a presentation of health insurance. Royle works with the City of Central City on their health insurance plan. They have a high deductible with a HSA. Royle said that anyone in a group with health problems will mean a higher rate for the group. Royle said he represents a lot of insurance companies. They shop around for the best rates. Royle said that the City of Central City has a fully insured program where the insurance company takes the risk. The deductibles are \$2,000.00 for a single and \$4,000.00 for family. After reaching the deductible the insurance covers 100%. Rates increase every year. The employee can put money into the HSA and the County can add to it, match it, or full fund it. The money carries over every year that it is not used. It must be used for health reasons. The money in the employee's HSA is the employees, even if they quit.

Standard Appraisal Contract: The contract for Standard Appraisal is for 24 days or 2 days a month. Weller asked

Assessor Placke if the county had to pay the whole contract amount if they do not use him the full 24 days. Placke said no and that last year they did not use him the full 24 days. The contract amount of \$16,560 is one day more than Placke budgeted for and she thought she could get by with only 23 days. This amount includes Standard's review on protested properties. Moved Weller, second Euse to approve the Standard Appraisal Contract. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Inventories: The official's inventories were presented to the board for approval and signatures. Moved Euse second Weller to approve and sign the official's inventories as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Regional 3 Behavioral Health Contract: County Attorney Curry said that he had contacted Mary Lanning Hospital and told them that the Sheriff had said that his deputies had to wait to admit a prisoner for several hours. The person at Mary Lanning said that she would check this out and get back with Curry. Curry said that he advised tabling the contract with Region 3 until he heard back from Mary Lanning. Moved Weller second Hahn to table the signing of the contract with Region 3. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Grant application: Chuck Griffith and Chris Anderson came before the board to see if the board wanted to pursue a membership in the joint action agency for the bike and hike trail from Central City to Marquette. This joint action agency is needed in order to receive grant money. Anderson said that a seven mile stretch right of way had been acquired from Burlington and is now owned by Trails group in Lincoln. The Central City City Council felt it was outside of their jurisdiction to take on ownership and the NRD did not want to take it on themselves because of the maintenance and liability. The joint action agency is separate from any entities. Anderson said the City of Central City is interested in the joint action agency which will draw up terms and agreements. Anderson said this was not a commitment to join. Anderson said the cost to join would be less than \$10,000.00 a year and that the NRD will probably take on the bulk of the maintenance cost. Anderson said that Hamilton County and the Lower Blue NRD voted not to join. Anderson said that there was a lot of vocal opposition in Hamilton County. Griffith said that it is very unlikely that they would not be able to get transportation enhancement money. Moved Weller second Hahn to pursue membership into the joint action agency to develop a hike and bike trail. Roll Call: All Ayes.

July 2009 fees: Moved Euse second Husmann to approve the July 2009 fees as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

August 2009 claims: Moved Weller second Euse to approve the August 2009 claims as presented:

FUND	NAME	INVDESC	TOTCLAIMS
GENERAL			\$
	A & P PROCESS SERVICE	CO COURT	19.50
			\$
	ADAMSON INDUSTRIES, CORP	EQUIPMENT	1,916.55
			\$
	BAMFORD INC.	BLDG REPAIR	200.00
			\$
	DOROTHY D BENTON	ATTY FEES	2,238.75
			\$
	PAUL BEYER	CELL PHONE	30.00
			\$
	BILL'S CLASSIC AUTO & TRAILER SALES	CAR	350.00
			\$
	BOB BARKER CO	SUPPLIES	100.80
			\$
	BOMGAARS	SUPPLIES	17.99
			\$
	BOSELMAN ENERGY, INC	FUEL-MOWER	45.33
			\$
	ROBERT E BOWEN, MD, PC	CORONER	940.00
			\$
	PAUL BRILL	CELL PHONE	30.00
			\$
	CABLE NEBRASKA	CABLE TV SERV	45.95
			\$
	JESSIE CARLSON	MH BOARD	75.00
			\$
	CENTRAL CITY MALL	SUPPLIES	19.67
			\$
	CENTRAL CITY MALL	POP MACHINE	127.33
			\$
	CENTRAL CITY MALL	SUPPLIES	5.39

CENTRAL DISTRICT HEALTH DEPARTMENT	CONTRACT	\$ 2,583.33
CENTRAL TRUE VALUE	LAWN SUPPL	\$ 82.97
CITY OF CENTRAL CITY/ MINI BUS	MINI-BUS	\$ 757.42
CITY OF CENTRAL CITY/ UTILITIES	UTILITIES	\$ 2,499.30
CITY OF CENTRAL CITY	JAIL UTILITIES	\$ 71.98
CITY OF G.I. UTILITIES DEPT	UTILITIES	\$ 7.10
CLERK OF DISTRICT COURT/CC	COURT COSTS	\$ 517.12
D & M SECURITY	BLDG REPAIR	\$ 135.00
DONALD DABERKOW	VARIANCE	\$ 52.00
NE DAS COMMUNICATIONS	EQPT RENTAL	\$ 448.00
DELL MARKETING L.P.	SUPPLIES	\$ 299.97
DELL COMPUTERS	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 384.97
WENDY DETHLEFS	CLERICAL/MLG	\$ 22.00
JANICE DICK	CLERICAL/MLG	\$ 22.00
EAKES OFFICE PLUS	SUPPLIES	\$ 113.60
EAKES OFFICE PLUS	SUPPLIES	\$ 16.99
ECO WATER SYSTEMS	OFFICE WATER	\$ 157.00
EGAN SUPPLY CO.	CLEANING SUPP	\$ 293.83
ENDURANCE FLAG CO.	FLAGS/POLE	\$ 161.00
NORMAN EUSE	MILEAGE	\$ 103.40
MARV FISHLER	VARIANCE	\$ 36.60
GALL'S INC.	EQUIP UNIFORM	\$ 400.89
SCOTT GRAFTON	ATTY FEES	\$ 622.50
GREEN LINE EQUIPMENT OF CC	LAWN SUPPLIE	\$ 46.81
HALL COUNTY SHERIFF DEPT	COURT COSTS	\$ 14.70
HAMILTON COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE	COURT COSTS	\$ 1,241.30
HAMILTON TELECOMMUNICATIONS	EQUIPMENT	\$ 64.95
HANSON GRIME STOPPERS	CLEANING SRVC	\$ 1,316.00
MARK HOGUE	CELL PHONE	\$ 30.00
MIKE HUTCHINSON	CELL PHONE	\$ 30.00

JACKSON SERVICES	SUPPLIES	\$ 154.00
JOHN JEFFERSON	MILEAGE	\$ 143.00
JENSEN PUBLISHING	PUBLICATION	\$ 384.90
JENSEN PUBLISHING	PUBLICATION	\$ 319.20
JENSEN PUBLISHING/P&Z	PRINTING	\$ 15.21
JOURNAL PRINT SHOP/P&Z	PRINTING	\$ 25.18
JOURNAL PRINT SHOP	PUBLICATION	\$ 490.18
JOURNAL PRINT SHOP	PUBLICATION	\$ 252.00
WILLIAM KELLEY	VARIANCE	\$ 63.00
KLEINE FUNERAL HOME	CORONER	\$ 327.00
BRIAN KLUCK	MH BOARD	\$ 225.00
MICHAEL P KNEALE	ATTY FEES	\$ 1,305.00
THOMAS L.KOVANDA	ATTY FEES	\$ 2,644.00
JENNIFER LANI	APPRAISER MLG	\$ 96.25
LEXISNEXIS	LAW LIBRARY	\$ 212.00
LITZENBERG/HOSPITAL OPERATING	OP SUPPORT	\$ 8,333.33
LITZENBERG MEMORIAL HOSPITAL	PRISONERS BRD	\$ 2,539.00
MARY LIVINGSTON	MH BOARD	\$ 275.00
MARTIN'S FLAG CO.	FLAGS	\$ 122.12
MAXIMUS CONSULTING SERVICES, INC	CONSULTANT	\$ 632.11
MCI	TELEPHONE	\$ 90.71
MCILNAY & CO	LAWN EQUIP	\$ 29.04
ANTHONY MCPHILLIPS	CELL PHONE	\$ 30.00
MERRICK CO. COURT	CO COURT COST	\$ 372.00
MERRICK CO. EXTENSION SERVICE	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 4,413.93
MERRICK CO. HIGHWAY DEPT.	PROP TX TRANS	\$ 80,967.09
MERRICK CO. TREASURER	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 18,569.78
LARRY MEYER	VARIANCE	\$ 39.20
MICHAEL MEYER	TRAVEL/POSTAGE	\$ 746.40
MID NEBR. INDIVIDUAL SERVICES	CONTRIBUTION	\$ 8,204.00

MIDLAND AREA AGENCY ON AGING	MEMBERSHIP	\$ 5,838.00
MIDWEST ELECTION OFFICIALS CONF	REGISTRATION	\$ 100.00
MIPS INC.	MICROFILMING	\$ 59.75
MIPS INC.	MICROFILMING	\$ 143.00
MIPS INC.	#15056	\$ 400.00
THE MOORE GROUP INC	APPRAISAL ED	\$ 149.00
JENNIFER MYERS	TRAVEL	\$ 353.65
NACO	REGISTRATION	\$ 90.00
NE CO ASSESSORS ASSOCIATION	ASSN DUES/REG	\$ 100.00
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 36.62
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 60.53
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 82.08
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 70.11
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 55.18
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 90.24
NT&T	COURTHOUSE FAX	\$ 45.33
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 49.07
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 614.15
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 54.88
NT&T	PHONE	\$ 71.91
DENNY O'NELE	KEYS	\$ 8.50
OFFICENET	SUPPLIES	\$ 443.51
OFFICENET	SUPPLIES	\$ 367.49
OFFICENET	SUPPLIES	\$ 81.79
OFFICENET	SUPPLIES	\$ 33.79
OFFICENET,INC.	COURTHOUSE EQT	\$ 166.95
ORKIN PEST CONTROL	BLDG REPAIR	\$ 60.78
PERRY NOYD REPAIR	BLDG REPAIR	\$ 458.96
PHILLIPS 66-CONOCO-76	FUEL	\$ 87.79
JAN PLACKE	TRAVEL EXP	\$ 28.05

QWEST	ATTY PHONE	\$ 50.92
RED THE UNIFORM TAILOR	UNIFORM	\$ 53.66
SAM'S CLUB DIRECT	SUPPLIES	\$ 414.20
SAMPSON, CURRY & TWISS P.C.	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 966.47
SEVEN SPRINGS INC	OFFICE WATER	\$ 7.50
SOFTWARE UNLIMITED CORPORATION	REGISTRATION	\$ 1,200.00
RICHARD SPIEHS	VARIANCE	\$ 67.40
CHRIS STAROSTKA	VARIANCE	\$ 15.00
DAVID SULLIVAN	CELL PHONE	\$ 30.00
SVEHLA THOMAS RAUERT & GRAFTON PC	ATTY FEES	\$ 832.50
T-SHIRT ENGINEERS	UNIFORM	\$ 413.58
JAMES H TRUELL	MH BOARD	\$ 275.00
VILLAGE OF CHAPMAN	UTILITIES	\$ 40.35
VISA	REPAIR/SUPPLY	\$ 458.61
REX WELLER	MILEAGE	\$ 148.50
MARCIA WICHMANN	TRAVEL EXP	\$ 126.36
ROGER WIEGERT	MILEAGE	\$ 91.30
JERRY D. WILLHOFT	CONTRACT	\$ 1,241.67
FLEET SERVICES	FUEL	\$ 1,097.10
XEROX CORPORATION	SUPPLIES	\$ 45.00
TOTAL		\$ 168,490.85

ROADS

ALL ROADS BARRICADES, INC	SIGNS & POST	\$ 1,049.30
ALLTEL/ROADS	TELEPHONE	\$ 31.50
ARCHER SUPPLY INC	FUEL	\$ 2,275.40
AURORA CO-OP ELEVATOR CO.	FUEL	\$ 1,780.80
BILL'S VOLUME SALES	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 156.38
DUANE BLASE	GRAVEL	\$ 24.00
BOMGAARS	#42074315	\$ 88.50
BOSELMAN INC/ROADS	OIL & GREASE	\$ 72.62

BUTLER COUNTY LANDFILL	TIRES	3,071.70
		\$
CALIFORNIA CONTRACTORS SUPPLIES INC	SHOP SUPPLIES	98.00
		\$
CENTRAL CITY AUTO PARTS/ROADS	EQUIP REPAIR	166.75
		\$
CENTRAL TRUE VALUE/ROADS	EQUIP REPAIR	21.98
		\$
DINKLE IMPLEMENT CO	EQUIP RENTAL	234.68
		\$
EAKES OFFICE PLUS INC/ROADS	OFFICE SUPPLY	39.28
		\$
FILTER CARE	EQUIP REPAIR	68.15
		\$
GARY SMITH CONSTRUCTION CO. INC.	ASPHALTIC	122.59
		\$
GREEN LINE EQUIPMENT OF CC/ROADS	EQUIP REPAIR	8.63
		\$
GRONES	EQUIP REPAIR	29.24
		\$
GROSSHANS, INC./ROADS	EQUIP REPAIR	104.76
		\$
HANSEN INTERNATIONAL TRUCK INC	EQUIP REPAIR	1,167.29
		\$
HUSKER CO-OP	FUEL	801.56
	STEEL	\$
HUSKER STEEL	PRODUCTS	1,081.50
		\$
ISLAND SUPPLY WELDING CO.	SHOP SUPPLIES	57.88
		\$
JACKSON LINEN SERVICE/ROADS	SHOP SUPPLIES	25.82
		\$
JENSEN PUBLISHING/ROADS	PUBLISHING	60.90
		\$
JOURNAL PRINT SHOP/ROADS	PUBLISHING	69.98
		\$
MCILNAY & CO., INC./ROADS	SHOP SUPPLIES	8.80
		\$
MERRICK CO. TREASURER	ROAD-SALES TAX	34.13
		\$
MIDLAND TELECOM, INC.	RADIO EQUIP	130.00
		\$
MILLER & ASSOCIATES	ENGINEER FEES	5,593.30
		\$
NEBR. MACHINERY CO.	EQUIP REPAIR	263.41
		\$
NEBR. TRUCK CENTER, INC.	EQUIP REPAIR	20.30
		\$
LEE NEEL	INS REIMBURSE	250.00
		\$
NT&T/SHOP	TELEPHONE	43.41
		\$
NT&T/ROADS	TELEPHONE	58.64
		\$
OVERLAND SAND & GRAVEL	GRAVEL	8,526.36
		\$
JOHN E PROSOSKI	MILEAGE	23.65
		\$
SACK LUMBER CO./ROADS	SIGNS/REPAIR	381.00
		\$

	SCOTT-VAN KEPPEL-BR	EQUIP REPAIR	205.22
			\$
	SOURCEGAS,LLC	HEATING	90.68
			\$
	SOUTHERN POWER DISTRICT	ELECTRICITY	286.59
			\$
	STATE GLASS, INC.	EQUIP REPAIR	84.62
			\$
	TRADEWINDS MOTEL	EDUCATION	118.00
			\$
	TOTAL		28,827.30
RELIEF/MEDICAL			\$
	GRAND ISLAND RADIOLOGY ASSOCIATES	PRIS/MEDICAL	40.00
			\$
	LINDA GREGER	CONTRACT	135.00
			\$
	NORM'S U SAVE PHARMACY	PRISONER MEDS	47.09
			\$
	TOTAL		222.09
INSTITUTIONS			\$
	NE HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES	JUNE BEATRICE	270.00
			\$
	TOTAL		270.00
JUVENILE DIVERSION			\$
	MERRICK CO DIVERSION	MISC EXPENSES	2,130.87
			\$
	RENE'E PETERSON	MLG/SUPPLIES	120.14
			\$
	TOTAL		2,251.01
CANINE K-9			\$
	BOMGAARS	CARE OF DOG	36.99
			\$
	TOTAL		36.99
INHERITANCE			\$
	MIPS INC.	COMPUTER SUPP	2,398.22
			\$
	TOTAL		2,398.22
COUNTY BUILDING FUND			\$
	LONE TREE CONSTRUCTION	LABOR	3,779.00
			\$
	SACK LUMBER	ROOF SUPPLIES	5,228.34
			\$
	TOTAL		9,007.34
E911			\$
	AT&T	E911 PHONE SER	18.82
			\$
	GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS	E 911 PHONE	42.00
			\$
	NNTC	E911 PHONE SER	139.14
			\$
	TOTAL		199.96

Roll Call: All Ayes.

Moved Euse second Weller to adjourn at 11:45 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/John Jefferson, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk

August 25, 2009

The Merrick County Board of Supervisors met Tuesday, August 25, 2009, at 9:00 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Euse, Hahn, Jefferson, Husmann, Schneiderheinze, Weller, and Wiegert present.

Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. Proof of publication is filed in the Clerk's Office. Copies of the agenda were mailed to each Supervisor and kept current and available to the public at the County Clerk's Office.

Chairman Jefferson declared the meeting was preceded by publicized notice and having acknowledged and identified the location of the posting of the current copy of the Open Meetings Act, called the meeting to order and in open session at 9:00 a.m.

Jefferson led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Moved Weller, second Husmann to convene as Board of Supervisors at 9:00 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes

Agenda: Moved Euse, second Hahn to approve the agenda as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Minutes: Moved Wiegert second Husmann to approve the minutes as published. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Meeting Reports: Husmann attended the Bader Park meeting, Jefferson attended a Regional 3 advisory meeting and a hospital meeting.

Officials Reports: Jerry Wilhoft, Weed Superintendent told the board that they will start spraying the first week in September at Columbus and come west. The helicopter will be coming out of Texas and was hired for \$85.00 an acre. Beth Pullen told the board that the sprinkler alarm was going off this a.m. and she had to call Electronic Systems to come out and check it because she said it will keep going off until they take care of it. Darrel Siekman, Extension Agent told the board that he had turned in the estimate to the County Clerk for the damage to the blazer and that the County Clerk had received the insurance check. Board members asked Siekman if he had gone to all the body shops in the county for estimates on the work and he said he had not. The board members asked him to have other body shops give estimates. Sheriff McPhillips said that he was going to surplus the dodge because the blazer was going to be repaired and the board said that McPhillips should wait until the blazer was fixed so Siekman would have a vehicle if he needed one. County Clerk Wichmann told the board that a resident of Merrick County had applied for rent assistance. Wichmann said the resident had been employed but is no longer working but had not filed for unemployment. The resident has pending charges in the county. Moved Weller, second Husmann to deny the request for rent assistance. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Wichmann told the board that Dennis O'Nele had purchased flags from the Legion and they were all missing from his room on the first floor. Wichmann said that there is a lot of traffic in the courthouse in the evening because there are so many meetings at night and they are all held in the Supervisors Room on third floor. The front door is unlocked and there is no way anyone can see from the third floor who is entering the courthouse and where they are going. The cleaning people also come at all hours of the night to clean. Pullen said that they should have set hours and be here by five so if something needs to be done they can be told about it. Pullen said that the Hearing Room on the first floor can be used for meetings and that way whoever is here from the courthouse and is responsible for the meetings can see who is coming in. Moved Euse, second Hahn to limit the meetings from now on to the Hearing Room on the first floor. Roll Call: Ayes: Wiegert, Husmann, Euse, Hahn, and Jefferson. Nays: Weller and Schneiderheinze. Motion carried five to two.

The re-evaluation of the janitorial services is to be put on the next agenda. Wichmann also told the board that McIlroy and Company had given her a bill for the material and work done to date for the new Honeywell Zoning System. The dampers have been installed except for two by pass dampers and the thermostats. The bill was for \$12,780.00 and the total bill when complete will be \$21,208.00.

Flu Shots: County Clerk Wichmann read a letter from Central District Health concerning flu shots. The fee for a flu shot at the office in the courthouse on site would be \$25.00. They are also offering the H1N1 vaccine later in the fall. The H1N1 looks like it will be two shots 21-28 days apart. Wichmann wanted to know if the board was going to have the county pay for the employee's flu shots like they did last year. Weller said how could the county pay for a flu shot and not the H1N1. Moved Husmann, second Hahn for the county to pay for the regular flu shots for the employees but not the H1N1. Roll Call: Ayes: Hahn and Husmann. Nays: Schneiderheinze, Weller, Euse, Wiegert, and Jefferson. Motion was denied.

Supplemental Agreement: Mike Meyer, Highway Superintendent and Brendan Lilley with Kirkham Michael came to the board and asked the board to approve and have the chairman sign a supplemental agreement for a ½ mile long stretch of road by Silver Creek on Tower Road. The original agreement was for \$4,900.00 and now it will increase

\$6,000.00 because of work that was not contemplated in the original agreement. Now a visit by a Wetlands Biologist and Wetland Determination are needed, a technical assistance letter to the Nebraska Department of Roads for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife including development of SWPPP and erosion control plan, and a NEPA determination process for Nebraska Department of Roads, and a NEPA/US Army Corps of Engineers documentation. Moved Husmann, second Weller to approve the supplemental agreement with Kirkham Michael for the overlay project by Silver Creek on Tower Road. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Palmer Fire District: Clerk Wichmann presented a Resolution for Preliminary Budget request for the fiscal year 2009-2010 from the Palmer Fire District asking for an extra 1% on their budget request. Moved Weller second Wiegert to approve the extra 1% on the Palmer Fire District budget. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Payroll Claims: The August 2009 payroll claims were presented to the board for approval: General: Gross: \$91,732.28 Net: \$65,088.24 Roads: Gross: \$44,279.81 Net: \$28,011.04 Juvenile Diversion: Gross: \$2,597.50 Net: \$2,238.91. Moved Euse, second Husmann to approve and pay the August 2009 payroll claims as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Resolution: Highway Superintendent Mike Meyer asked the board to approve RESOLUTION 2009-12 to revise the Merrick County One and Six Year Plan to put a new bridge in on 26th Road by Clarks. The road is closed now and Meyer said that if the board approves the resolution, he will then send it to the state for their approval. If the state approves the addition to the One and Six then Meyer said he can get the bridge replaced and the road opened. Moved Euse, second Husmann to approve RESOLUTION 2009-12 to revise the Merrick County One and Six Year Plan to put the replacement of the bridge on 26th Road by Clarks. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Budget: Andrew Simmons told the board that they needed to cut \$252,089.00 from the County budget in order to get below the lid. Simmons said that the County will transfer \$150,000.00 from the inheritance fund to roads for a cash reserve. Simmons suggested cutting \$215,000.00 from the road fund and \$27,950.00 from the miscellaneous general. This would leave \$9,139.00 to still be cut. After talking with Highway Superintendent Meyer, it was decided to cut the road fund by \$180,000.00. County Clerk Wichmann said the miscellaneous general could be cut by \$43,202.00. The board said that building and grounds could be cut by \$5,000.00 and that the Clerk of the District Court said that \$3,000.00 in her budget could be cut if needed. Weller asked Planning and Zoning Administrator Jennifer Myers to explain the \$20,000.00 budgeted for consulting. Myers said the regulations and comprehensive plan need to be updated. She has checked around and said that it would cost between \$60,000.00 to \$70,000.00 to update these. The amount could be spread out over three years and this was just the first installment. Myers said that maybe she could update the regulations and that would be cheaper. She said she might be able to adjust some. Weller asked Assessor Placke about the \$31,500.00 she budgeted in the appraisal fund and she said that the contract had already been split and if they waited until next year it would double back up. Simmons cut the \$20,000.00 from the planning and zoning for consultants. County Clerk Wichmann said that she would cut \$1,000.00 from her election budget to get the budget below the lid. Bader Park had asked for a 2% increase in their budget request. Moved Weller, second Euse to deny the 2% increase requested by Bader Park. Roll Call: All Ayes. The budget was cut by \$252,202.00 keeping the budget below the lid. Simmons said the County is asking to increase the tax asking amount by 1% over the allowable growth percentage of 2.5%. Weller asked if that extra 1% could come from the inheritance tax fund and Simmons said that it could. Simmons said there was no allowable tax growth for the County. The next budget meeting will be September 1, 2009 at 9:00 a.m. at the courthouse in the Supervisors Room. There will not be time for this to be in the newspapers so the County Clerk will post in the towns and villages. The board said that they hope to be able to adopt the budget September 8, 2009 at their regular board meeting that will be published in the County newspapers. Moved Weller, second Wiegert to adjourn at 12:30 p.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/John Jefferson, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk

September 8, 2009

The Merrick County Board of Supervisors met Tuesday, September 8, 2009, at 9:00 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Euse, Hahn, Jefferson, Husmann, Schneiderheinz, Weller, and Wiegert present. Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. Proof of publication is filed in the Clerk's Office. Copies of the agenda were mailed to each Supervisor and kept current and available to the public at the County Clerk's Office.

Chairman Jefferson declared the meeting was preceded by publicized notice and having acknowledged and identified the location of the posting of the current copy of the Open Meetings Act, called the meeting to order and in open session at 9:00 a.m.

Schneiderheinz led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Moved Weller, second Hahn to convene as Board of Supervisors at 9:00 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Agenda: Moved Euse, second Husmann to approve the agenda as published and presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Minutes: Moved Weller, second Wiegert to approve the minutes of the last two meetings as published. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Meeting Reports: Schneiderheinz attended a Midland Area on Aging on Thursday and Jefferson attended a hospital meeting.

Officials Report: Beth Pullen asked the board about putting up bollards around the fire hydrant on the West side of the courthouse so that no one could hit it or mess with it. Pullen will check into price and the board thought the road department would be able to install them. Sheriff McPhillips said that the frame on the blazer had been pulled out and Darrel Siekman is going to put a used tailgate on it. McPhillips said that he wants to surplus the 2001 or 2002 Dodge with about 100,000 miles on it. Moved Euse, second Weller to surplus the dodge. Roll Call: All Ayes. McPhillips said that he would ask the City of Central City to put it on ebay.

Prairie Creek Winery: Nick Ryan of Prairie Creek Vineyards told the board that he would like to continue to store wine off premises at his home. He has obtained a temporary approval from the State Liquor Commissioner, but in order to have a permanent branch outlet he must obtain local authority approval and then send that to the state. The branch outlet would be a bonded premises. Ryan said there is only two key holders, him and his father and they are the only two that can transport the wine. Everything is bottled and in cases. Moved Husmann, second Hahn to approve the branch outlet for Prairie Creek Vineyards. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Meetings in Courthouse: County Clerk Wichmann said that she had been approached by someone in the courthouse who was upset that a vote had been taken at the last meeting concerning the use of the County Supervisor's Board Room. Wichmann said that she contacted County Attorney Curry and he said that he didn't see the problem as there was never a resolution done giving other offices and agencies permission to use the board room. Wichmann also said that she had taken a poll of other counties and 46 responded. Thirty two do not allow anyone but the County Board use their board rooms. Fourteen allow meetings but the board rooms are located on the first floor. Jennifer Myers, Planning and Zoning Administrator said that it is more convenient for her to use the board room for her evening meetings. She said that sometimes she has 30 or more people and the hearing room is not set up to handle that many and that she can hear the elevator every time some one comes up or goes down. Husmann said that the hearing room used to be the board room before and handled everything. Siekman asked if the board was saying he could not conduct county business in the courthouse and Clerk Wichmann said the other counties use the fairground facilities for 4-H and extension and that the county pays rent to the fairgrounds but do not use it. Euse said that he was not saying county business could not be done in the courthouse but that it should be done in the daytime during business hours. Jefferson asked if anyone checked the entire courthouse after having their meetings in the evening and Myers said she checks the stairwells but not the entire courthouse. Pullen and Good said that the hearing room was available most of the time and Wednesdays may be the only day that is an exception. Pullen said that if the hearing room was not available for a meeting that surely the board would allow them to use the board room. Moved Hahn, second Weller to reopen the vote to allow meetings in the County Board Room. Roll Call: Ayes: Schneiderheinz, Wiegert, Weller, and Hahn. Nays: Euse, Husmann, and Jefferson. Motion carried.

Moved Hahn, second Weller to allow meetings in the County Board Room. Roll Call: Ayes: Weller, and Hahn.

Nays: Euse, Wiegert, Husmann, Schneiderheinz, and Jefferson. Motion denied. Moved Weller, second Hahn to allow courthouse personnel to hold meetings in the County Board Room during business hours. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Motion Carried.

Health Insurance: Ben Royal with Cornerstone Insurance Group presented the Board with a rate and benefit analysis from different insurance companies to give the board a general idea of what insurance premiums would be in the best

case scenario. Royal said that he had given the County Clerk a Nebraska uniform insurance application for the employees to fill out. After he receives that information back from the County Clerk he will send out to insurance companies to get the rates that would apply to the work pool at Merrick County. The rate and benefit analysis also included plans with health savings accounts. Royal said that the insurance is not a self funding plan. Moved Weller, second Husmann to have the County Officials and employees fill out the applications and pursue rates. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Central District Health: Theresa Anderson and Ryan King with Central District Health gave the board an update on the H1N1 virus. Anderson said the virus spreads easily and that people who are 65 and older seem to have some resistance to it. It is mainly affecting the young and pregnant women. The vaccine will be distributed through the state health department. The vaccine should be available in October, 2009. The seasonal flu shot is for the respiratory flu and not the stomach flu. Anderson said the school based clinics are something new. The nasal spray is available and is easier to give children because they do not have to fear a needle.

Budget Hearing: Moved Weller, second Hahn to open the budget hearing at 11:22 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes. Andrew Simmons handed two draft copies of the budget out to the Board for their review. Moved Weller, second Husmann to adopt the 2009-2010 budget as published and presented to them. Roll Call: All Ayes. Moved Weller, second Euse to close the budget hearing at 11:27 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Review of cleaning contract: The review of the cleaning contract will be put on the next meetings agenda on Tuesday, September 29, 2009.

Jerry Wilhoft came in to tell the Board that the spraying had started this morning. Wilhoft said there were two property owners who have not responded. The consensus of the Board was to spray both properties.

Split approvals: Jennifer Myers, Planning & Zoning Administrator came to the board with four splits needing to be approved. First split was for Merrick County Farms LLC for the N1/2NW1/4 and the N1/2S1/2NW1/4 in 2-14-7. Moved Weller, second Husmann to approve the split for Merrick County Farms, LLC. Roll Call: All Ayes. Second split was for Joyce Grimminger for the SE1/4SW1/4, Lots 4 and 2 on Island, and the W1/2SE1/4 in 25-12-8. Moved Weller, second Euse to approve the split for Joyce Grimminger. Roll Call: All Ayes.

The third split was for Dexter and Joyce Martin for the S1/2SE1/4 in 7-16-3. Moved Euse, second Wiegert to approve the split for Dexter and Joyce Martin. Roll Call: All Ayes.

The fourth split was for Jack and Marilyn Wilson for the SW1/4 in 3-14-5. Moved Euse, second Husmann to approve the split for Jack and Marilyn Wilson. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Grants: Jennifer Myers, Planning & Zoning Administrator told the Board that she had found out about a Nebraska Records Grant Application-Technology Grant from Hamilton County. She would like to apply for the grant and needs the Boards support. The grant would be used for updating regulations and planning, rezoning maps through the utilization of GIS. Moved Husmann, second Euse to support Jennifer Myers in applying for the grant. Roll Call: All Ayes.

County Assessor Placke asked the Board for support to applying for the Nebraska Records Board Grant Application-Technology Grant to be used for the Merrick/Hamilton County Line using GPS and GIS. Placke would like to finish up survey work on the Platte River. The cost of the project is \$22,100.00. Moved Euse, second Husmann to support Placke is applying for the grant. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Fees: The August 2009 fees from the Clerk of District Court and the County Clerk were presented to the Board for approval. Moved Euse, second Weller to approve the fees as presented.

Claims: The September 2009 claims were presented to the Board for approval:

FUND	NAME	INVDESC	TOTCLAIMS
GENERAL			\$
	A & P PROCESS SERVICE	COURT COSTS	94.68
			\$
	ADAMSON INDUSTRIES, CORP	EQUIPMENT	249.95
			\$
	HALEY BENNER	SUMMER HELP	80.00
			\$
	DOROTHY D BENTON	ATTY FEES	1,620.00
			\$
	PAUL BEYER	CELL PHONE	30.00
			\$
	BOB BARKER CO	SUPPLY	498.93

BOSELMAN ENERGY, INC	FUEL	\$ 79.19
PAUL BRILL	CELL PHONE	\$ 30.00
MEGAN BURRUSS	SUMMER HELP	\$ 240.00
CABLE NEBRASKA	CABLE TV SRVC	\$ 45.95
CENTRAL CITY AUTO PARTS/SHERIFF ACT	NEW CAR	\$ 135.04
CENTRAL CITY MALL	POP MACHINE	\$ 53.99
CENTRAL DISTRICT HEALTH DEPARTMENT	CONTRACT	\$ 2,583.33
CENTRAL TRUE VALUE	SUPPLIES	\$ 13.99
CENTRAL TRUE VALUE	SUPPLY	\$ 27.23
PENNY CERNIK	LAWN CARE	\$ 180.00
CITY OF CENTRAL CITY/ UTILITIES	UTILITIES	\$ 2,240.80
CITY OF CENTRAL CITY	UTILITIES	\$ 71.98
CLAY COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT	PRISONERS BRD	\$ 540.00
CLERK OF DISTRICT COURT/CC	COURT COSTS	\$ 315.76
CONAWAY PLUMBING	CLEAN DRAIN	\$ 70.00
CREIGHTON UNIVERSITY MEDICAL CENTER	CORONER	\$ 603.92
NE DAS COMMUNICATIONS	EQUIP RENTAL	\$ 448.00
DELL MARKETING L.P.	EQUIPMENT	\$ 385.00
DELL MARKETING	SUPPLIES	\$ 130.94
DOUGLAS COUNTY TREASURER	CORONER	\$ 250.00
EAKES OFFICE PLUS	SUPPLIES	\$ 8.95
EAKES OFFICE PLUS	SUPPLIES	\$ 14.47
EAKES OFFICE PLUS	SUPPLIES	\$ 16.99
ECO WATER SYSTEMS	OFFICE WATER	\$ 65.00
HAMILTON TELECOMMUNICATIONS	EQUIPMENT	\$ 65.95
HANSON GRIME STOPPERS	CONTR CLEANING	\$ 1,316.00
HERK'S WELDING INC	CAR	\$ 28.21
MARK HOGUE	CELL PHONE	\$ 30.00
MIKE HUTCHINSON	CELL PHONE	\$ 30.00
JACKSON SERVICES	SERVICE SUPPLY	\$ 154.00

JENSEN PUBLISHING	SUPPLIES	\$ 76.50
JENSEN PUBLISHING	PUBLICATION	\$ 348.05
JENSEN PUBLISHING	PRINTING	\$ 33.60
JENSEN PUBLISHING/P&Z	PRINTING	\$ 10.37
JOURNAL PRINT SHOP/P&Z	MEETING NOTICE	\$ 10.31
JOURNAL PRINT SHOP	PUBLICATION	\$ 325.54
JOURNAL PRINT SHOP	PRINTING	\$ 31.50
THOMAS L.KOVANDA	ATTY FEES	\$ 356.25
JENNIFER LANI	63 MILE @.55	\$ 133.65
MARLENE S LEE	MAINTENANCE	\$ 225.00
LEXISNEXIS	LAW LIBRARY	\$ 212.00
LITZENBERG/HOSPITAL OPERATING	SUPPORT	\$ 8,333.33
LITZENBERG MEMORIAL HOSPITAL	PRISONERS MEAL	\$ 2,744.50
MCI	TELEPHONE	\$ 50.81
MCILNAY & CO	FURNACE	\$ 509.80
ANTHONY MCPHILLIPS	CELL PHONE	\$ 30.00
MERRICK CO. COURT	COURT COSTS	\$ 358.00
MERRICK CO. EXTENSION SERVICE	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 961.65
MERRICK CO. HIGHWAY DEPT.	PROP TAX/ROADS	\$ 80,967.09
MERRICK CO. TREASURER	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 743.59
MICHAEL MEYER	TRAVEL/POSTAGE	\$ 374.90
MIPS INC.	MICROFILMING	\$ 202.75
MODERN METHODS, INC	COPIER REPAIR	\$ 167.00
JENNIFER MYERS	MOTEL	\$ 207.36
NACO	REGISTRATION	\$ 82.00
NCSEA	TRAVEL	\$ 95.00
NE ASSOC OF CLERKS,ROD,ELECTION COM	TRAVEL	\$ 25.00
NEBRASKA SECRETARY OF STATE	REGISTRATION	\$ 50.00
NORTHEAST NE JUVENILE SERVICE	PRISONER BD	\$ 1,785.00
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 66.54

NVO INFORMATIN SYSTEMS, INC	PROC EQUIPMENT	\$ 499.00
OFFICENET	SUPPLIES	\$ 290.88
OFFICENET	SUPPLIES	\$ 45.48
OFFICENET	SUPPLIES	\$ 69.00
OFFICENET,INC.	EQUIPMENT	\$ 184.88
ORKIN PEST CONTROL	BLDG REPAIR	\$ 60.78
PALSER SERVICE	CAR REPAIR	\$ 174.90
QWEST	TELEPHONE	\$ 50.50
RED WILLOW COUNTY SHERIFF	COURT COSTS	\$ 90.00
JAN I REEVES	ATTY FEES	\$ 247.50
SAMPSON, CURRY & TWISS P.C.	POSTAL	\$ 924.32
SCHENK AUTO S&R/SHERIFF	CAR REPAIR	\$ 173.00
SEVEN SPRINGS INC	OFFICE WATER	\$ 16.00
SIRCHIE FINGERPRINT LABORATORIES	SUPPLY	\$ 56.04
STANARD APPRAISAL SERVICE, INC.	CONTRACT MAINT	\$ 1,725.00
DAVID SULLIVAN	CELL PHONE	\$ 30.00
SURVEY RECORD REPOSITORY	SUPPLIES	\$ 7.50
REX WELLER	90 @ .55 MIL	\$ 49.50
MARCIA WICHMANN	MLG/SUPPLIES	\$ 399.66
ROGER WIEGERT	108 @ .55 MIL	\$ 59.40
JERRY D. WILLHOFT	CONTRACT	\$ 1,241.67
XEROX CORPORATION	SUPPLIES	\$ 96.30
TOTAL		\$ 118,756.65
ROADS		\$
ACE IRRIGATION & MFG., CO.	CULVERTS	\$ 7,346.40
AG EXPRESS ELECTRONICS	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 18.00
ALLTEL/ROADS	TELEPHONE	\$ 55.07
ARCHER SUPPLY INC	FUEL	\$ 2,293.50
AURORA CO-OP ELEVATOR CO.	FUEL	\$ 3,965.50
BOMGAARS	EQUIP SUPPLIES	\$ 72.77
		\$

BOSELMAN INC/ROADS	OIL & GREASE	477.72
		\$
CENTRAL CITY AUTO PARTS/ROADS	REPAIR	217.44
		\$
COMPUTER CONCEPTS INC.	OFFICE SUPPLY	147.50
		\$
DINKEL'S IMPLEMENT CO	EQUIP RENTAL	851.73
		\$
EAKES OFFICE PLUS INC/ROADS	OFFICE SUPPLY	138.46
		\$
RANDY FUEHRER	MILEAGE	68.75
		\$
GILBARCO INC	FUEL	17.00
		\$
GREEN LINE EQUIPMENT OF CC/ROADS	EQUIP REPAIR	3.74
		\$
GROSSHANS, INC./ROADS	EQUIP REPAIR	501.05
		\$
HANSEN INTERNATIONAL TRUCK INC	EQUIP REPAIR	1,293.98
		\$
HERK'S WELDING SHOP	EQUIP REPAIR	25.00
		\$
HUSKER CO-OP	FUEL	724.58
		\$
ISLAND SUPPLY WELDING CO.	SHOP SUPPLIES	44.66
		\$
JACKSON LINEN SERVICE/ROADS	SHOP SUPPLIES	25.82
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JENSEN PUBLISHING/ROADS	PUBLISHING	14.20
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JOURNAL PRINT SHOP/ROADS	PUBLISHING	16.65
		\$
MCILNAY & CO., INC./ROADS	EQUIP REPAIR	3.58
		\$
MERRICK CO. TREASURER	PREREG-ROADS	403.46
		\$
MIDLAND TELECOM, INC.	EQUIP REPAIR	65.00
		\$
NEBR. PETERBILT - FORD	EQUIP REPAIR	1,669.06
		\$
OVERLAND SAND & GRAVEL	GRAVEL	18,552.08
		\$
PALMER SERVICE CENTER	FUEL	12,466.70
		\$
PALSER SERVICE/ROADS	TIRES/SUPPLIES	555.35
		\$
PRECISION INDUSTRIES,INC	SHOP SUPPLIES	87.50
		\$
JOHN E PROSOSKI	MILEAGE	29.70
		\$
SAPP BROS. PETROLEUM	FUEL	668.70
		\$
SCOTT-VAN KEPPEL-BR	EQUIP REPAIR	316.65
		\$
SOURCEGAS,LLC	HEATING	78.98
		\$
SOUTHERN POWER DISTRICT	ELECTRICITY	294.00
		\$
VAN DIEST SUPPLY CO.	RD MAINTENANCE	2,966.25
		\$

	VILLAGE OF CHAPMAN	ELECTRICITY	40.45
			\$
	TOTAL		56,516.98
LODGING			\$
	ABC CLUB	VISITORS PROMO	150.00
			\$
	CHAMBER OF COMMERCE	TOURISM PROMO	2,000.00
			\$
	CHAPMAN C.I.A. C/O LARRY COATES	VISTORS PROMO	150.00
			\$
	CLARKS BEAN DAYS	VISITORS PROMO	150.00
			\$
	COMMERCIAL CLUB	VISITORS PROMO	150.00
			\$
	LONE TREE LITERARY SOCIETY	VISITORS PROMO	1,000.00
			\$
	RIVER RATS JEEP JAMBOREE	VISITORS PROMO	250.00
			\$
	TOTAL		3,850.00
MEDICAL/RELIEF			\$
	LINDA GREGER	CONTRACT	135.00
			\$
	LONE TREE MEDICAL ASSOCS.	PRISONER MEDS	97.00
			\$
	TOTAL		232.00
INSTITUTIONS			\$
	NE HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES	INSTITUTION	270.00
			\$
	TOTAL		270.00
JUVENILE DIVERSION			\$
	MERRICK CO DIVERSION	CELL PHONE	107.76
			\$
	RENE'E PETERSON	MILEAGE	70.40
			\$
	TOTAL		178.16
K-9			\$
	MARK HOGUE	DOG FOOD	38.61
			\$
	TOTAL		38.61
GRANT FUND			\$
	MERRICK COUNTY DEWERS	MISC GRANTS	89.70
			\$
	TOTAL		89.70
INHERITANCE			\$
	CENTRAL PLATTE RESOURCE	MOORES CREEK	3,132.02
		COMPUTER	\$
	MIPS INC.	SUPP	2,477.22
			\$
	TOTAL		5,609.24
BUILDING PROJECT			\$
	MCILNAY & CO	HEATING & AIR	12,780.00
			\$

E-911	TOTAL		12,780.00
			\$
	FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS	911 PHONE	1,000.80
			\$
	NNTC	E911 PHONE SRV	139.14
			\$
	QWEST	911 PHONE	231.76
			\$
	QWEST	911 PHONE	397.85
			\$
	TOTAL		1,769.55

Moved Euse, second Wiegert to approve the September 2009 claims as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Moved Weller, second Wiegert to adjourn at 12:00 p.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/John Jefferson, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk

September 22, 2009

The Merrick County Board of Equalization met Tuesday, September 22, 2009, at 9:00 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Euse, Hahn, Jefferson, Husmann, Schneiderheinz, Weller, and Wiegert present. Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. Proof of publication is filed in the Clerk's Office. Copies of the agenda were mailed to each Supervisor and kept current and available to the public at the County Clerk's Office.

Chairman Jefferson declared the meeting was preceded by publicized notice and having acknowledged and identified the location of the posting of the current copy of the Open Meetings Act, called the meeting to order and in open session at 9:00 a.m.

Schneiderheinz led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Moved Euse, second Hahn to convene as Board of Supervisors at 9:00 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Agenda: Moved Euse, second Husmann to approve the agenda as published and presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Minutes: Moved Weller, second Wiegert to approve the minutes of August 11, 2009 meeting as published. Roll Call: All Ayes.

TERC: County Clerk Wichmann told the Board that Michael and Cindy Douglas, Southeast Villa LLC. (Housing Agency of City of Central City), and Bader North Apartments LP (Housing Agency of City of Central City) have appealed to the Nebraska Tax Equalization and Review Commission. Assessor Placke told the Board that the County Attorney would not be able to represent the County in the Housing Agency of City of Central City appeals because there would be a conflict of interest and he is also the attorney for the House Authority. Placke said that another attorney outside would have to be used. Moved Weller, second Hahn to go into executive session for litigation discussion at 9:15 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes. Moved Euse, second Husmann to go out of executive session at 9:27 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Moved Euse, second Hahn to adjourn as Board of Equalization at 9:28 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/John Jefferson, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk

September 22, 2009

The Merrick County Board of Supervisors met Tuesday, September 22, 2009, at 9:30 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Euse, Hahn, Jefferson, Husmann, Schneiderheinz, Weller, and Wiegert present. Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. Proof of publication is filed in the Clerk's Office. Copies of the agenda were mailed to each Supervisor and kept current and available to the public at the County Clerk's Office.

Chairman Jefferson declared the meeting was preceded by publicized notice and having acknowledged and identified the location of the posting of the current copy of the Open Meetings Act, called the meeting to order and in open session at 9:30 a.m.

Moved Weller, second Husmann to convene as Board of Supervisors at 9:30 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes

Agenda: Moved Husmann, second Wiegert to approve the agenda as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Minutes: Moved Euse second Wiegert to approve the minutes as published. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Meeting Reports: Hahn attended the Central Nebraska Joint Housing Authority Meeting in Loup City on September 10, 2009 and the Central Nebraska Community Service meeting in Loup City September 15, 2009. Hahn and Wiegert attended the fall Central District Meeting in Kearney September 17, 2009, Weller attended a County safety meeting and the Mid Nebraska Individual Services meeting, and Jefferson attended a hospital meeting.

Executive Session: Moved Weller, second Wiegert to go into executive session for personnel discussion at 9:40 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes. Moved Weller, second Husmann to go out of executive session at 9:50 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Officials Reports: Highway Superintendent Mike Meyer gave an overlay update to the Board. Meyer said that two overlays are done and they are working on the third. Meyer said that there are a lot of blacktop driveways being done and that they are going out into the County right of ways. Meyer felt the Board should address this issue at the next Board meeting because of winter coming on. Meyer said that he is afraid that the widening of the roads because of snow could cause problems with these driveways.

County Clerk Wichmann told the Board that Hall County is having a special election for a school bond for Northwest School on November 10, 2009 and it will affect three Merrick County precincts, Prairie Creek, Vieregg, and Chapman. Wichmann also told the board that Ben Royal of Cornerstone Insurance had emailed her that he had received rates but was going to compare them with what the County is paying now to see if it was even worth pursuing.

Cleaning Contract: Dawn Hanson of Grime Stoppers was present and the Board told her this was her six month

probationary review. The Board said that there had been concern with the hours that they were cleaning but that there was nothing in the contract stating when the cleaning was to take place. Hanson said that she needs to know who the installer of the tile floors was so she could find out what type of tile was used so she can purchase the right cleaner for the floors. The Board said that she needed something or somewhere for officials to leave messages for her if they have cleaning issues. Hanson was asked if she kept all outside doors locked when they clean and she said that they were. The Board said that they had no issues with the cleaning that they were doing and that her contract was good for another six months.

Pledge Securities: County Clerk Wichmann gave a copy of the pledge securities to the Board for their review.

Sheriff's Fees: The August 2009 Sheriff fees were presented to the Board for approval. Moved Weller, second Husmann to approve the August 2009 Sheriff fees. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Payroll Claims: The September 2009 payroll claims were presented to the Board for approval: General: Gross: \$95,008.23 Net: \$68,154.40 Roads: Gross: \$46,072.56 Net: \$29,668.47 Juvenile Diversion: Gross: \$2,614.00 Net: \$2,225.14. Moved Euse, second Wiegert to approve the September 2009 payroll as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Regional 3 Behavioral Health Services: County Attorney Curry told the Board that it would be a very wise idea for them to sign and approve the Regional 3 Behavioral Health Services contract because of the costs involved. Moved Weller, second Euse to approve and sign the contract with Regional 3 Behavioral Health Services. Roll Call: All Ayes.

The County Board and County Clerk inspected the County Jail.

Moved Weller, second Euse to adjourn at 11:43 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/John Jefferson, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk

October 13, 2009

The Merrick County Board of Equalization met Tuesday, October 13, 2009, at 9:00 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Euse, Hahn, Jefferson, Husmann, Schneiderhein, Weller, and Wiegert present. Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. Proof of publication is filed in the Clerk's Office. Copies of the agenda were mailed to each Supervisor and kept current and available to the public at the County Clerk's Office.

Chairman Jefferson declared the meeting was preceded by publicized notice and having acknowledged and identified the location of the posting of the current copy of the Open Meetings Act, called the meeting to order and in open session at 9:00 a.m.

Weller led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Moved Hahn, second Husmann to convene as Board of Supervisors at 9:00 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Agenda: Moved Euse, second Wiegert to approve the agenda as published and presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Minutes: Moved Weller, second Hahn to approve the minutes of September 22, 2009 meeting as published. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Delinquent Personal property taxes: County Treasurer Dunham presented the board with the delinquent personal property taxes that need the Board's approval to be stricken from the personal tax rolls. They are Jeffrey & Cindy Svitak 2005 taxes of \$105.22 and 2006 taxes of \$61.14, Jeffery Swertzic 2002 taxes of \$57.08 and 2003 taxes of \$304.76. These taxes have been issued distress warrants for two years. Moved Euse, second Husmann to strike the 2005 & 2006 personal property taxes for Jeffrey and Cindy Svitak and the 2002 and 2003 personal property taxes for Jeffery Swertzic. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Tax Corrections: County Assessor Placke presented the Board with three tax corrections for the Board approval and Chairman's signature. Tax correction #3524 for Donal and Dale Bard amount of home exemption adjusted due to an error in filing, #3525 Donald Wandfluh personal property ID#2268 property being sold, and #3526 Jesse Sweet ID#8084 for a mobile home being moved. Moved Weller, second Euse to approve the three tax corrections and have the Chairman sign them. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Levies: Resolution 2009-16: Resolution 2009-16 is to set the tax levy for Merrick County. The resolution along with the list is available in the County Clerk's office. Moved Weller, second Husmann to set the County levy and sign Resolution 2009-16. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Moved Euse, second Hahn to adjourn as Board of Equalization at 9:11 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/John Jefferson, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk

October 13, 2009

The Merrick County Board of Supervisors met Tuesday, October 13, 2009, at 9:12 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Euse, Hahn, Jefferson, Husmann, Schneiderhein, Weller, and Wiegert present. Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. Proof of publication is filed in the Clerk's Office. Copies of the agenda were mailed to each Supervisor and kept current and available to the public at the County Clerk's Office.

Chairman Jefferson declared the meeting was preceded by publicized notice and having acknowledged and identified the location of the posting of the current copy of the Open Meetings Act, called the meeting to order and in open session at 9:12 a.m.

Moved Euse, second Wiegert to convene as Board of Supervisors at 9:12 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes

Agenda: Moved Husmann, second Wiegert to approve the agenda as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Minutes: Moved Weller second Hahn to approve the minutes as published. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Meeting Reports: Weller attended the Merrick Economic Development Corporation meeting and Husmann attended the Central District Health Meeting.

Vice Chairman: Moved Weller to open nomination with a nomination of Norman Euse for the position of Vice Chairman. Moved Hahn second Weller to cease nominations. Roll Call: Ayes: Husmann, Schneiderhein, Wiegert, Hahn, Weller, and Jefferson. Nays: None Abstain: Euse. It was found that Euse was voted to be vice chairman at a previous meeting. Voting by the board was already done.

Officials Reports: Highway Superintendent Mike Meyer gave a quick update to the Board. Jen Myers, Planning and Zoning Administrator handed out a list of building and zoning permits for the months of August and September.

Flodfest: Moved Weller, second Husmann to not approve the Flodfest claim for \$250.00. Roll Call: Ayes: Schneiderhein, Wiegert, Euse, Husmann, Weller, and Jefferson. Nay: Hahn. Abstain: None. Motion carried to not pay the Flodfest claim 6

to 1.

Split: Moved Husmann, second Wiegert to approve the split for Norman and Sue Krug in the SE1/4 of 30-13-7. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Reappointment: John Jefferson nominated Kyes for another term on the Planning & Zoning Board. Moved Husmann, second Hahn to reinstate Marvin Kyes to the Planning & Zoning Board. Roll Call: All Ayes.

RESOLUTION 2009-13: Highway Superintendent Meyer presented RESOLUTION 2009-13 for Board approval appointing Meyer as the responsible charge person for federal aide on the Palmer Northwest and Archer Southwest projects. Meyer went to training for this and is certified. Moved Weller, second Wiegert to approve and have the Chairman sign RESOLUTION 2009-13. Roll Call: All Ayes. RESOLUTION 2009-13 is on file in the County Clerk's office.

Interlocals: Highway Superintendent Meyer presented an interlocal agreement with the Village of Chapman for snow removal for Board approval. Moved Husmann, second Euse to approve and sign the interlocal agreement with the Village of Chapman for snow removal. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Meyer also presented an interlocal agreement with Prairie Island Township for road maintenance. Moved Hahn, second Husmann to approve and sign the interlocal agreement with Prairie Island Township for road maintenance. Roll Call: All Ayes.

NPPD: Mark Becker and Tom Pillen with North Public Power District gave the Board a presentation on the NPPD's 115K Volt transmission project for the Trans Canada Keystone XL Pipeline. Becker said the main objective is to communicate need and promote public awareness regarding the transmission project and to encourage open communication. Becker said that there will be five pumping stations in Nebraska with an in service date of the second quarter of 2012. NPPD wants to ensure the electric system reliability and that operation is maintained for the area. Each pumping station will require up to 25 megawatts, comparing that to Central City, which uses 14 megawatts and O'Neill, which also uses 14 megawatts. Becker said that NPPD wants to let people know what they are doing out front, and that they will be sending out letters. Becker said that if people want to know more they should go to NPPD's website at www.nppd.com. Becker and Pillen also presented the Board with packets that are given out at their open houses.

Weller absent at 10:23 a.m.

Health Insurance: County Clerk Wichmann told the Board that the two gentlemen from Midwest Insurance and Cornerstone called and said that it would not be profitable for Merrick County to go with any of their insurance companies. They said the premiums would be much higher than what we have now and some would not touch us. Wichmann also told the Board that a decision needed to be made today on whether or not they were going to change their Blue Cross Blue Shield Deductible and if they changed it, what it would be. Wichmann had sent the Board in their packets a presentation with a buy down from Blue Cross Blue Shield thru Mid-American Benefits, Inc. The County currently has a \$500.00 deductible with a \$250.00 reimbursement from the County by the County Clerk when the employee meets the deductible. The new options are \$1,500.00 deductible with a plan option funded at 25% and one at 100%, and a \$2,500.00 deductible with a plan option funded at 25% and 100%. Wichmann told the Board that with the \$2,500.00 deductible there is more risk for the County to lose money. With the \$1500.00 deductible there is little if any risk of losing money but a good way of saving lots of money. With the buy down options with Mid-American Benefits, Inc. the employee pays out of pocket whatever the County Board sets for an amount and then Mid American Benefits, Inc. pays the rest of the deductible and bills the County for what they have paid. They charge \$6.50 an employee for an administration fee. The cost now is \$660.86 for each employee and with the new plan will pay \$559.18, for employee and spouse or child the cost is \$1,326.63 now and the new would be \$1,115.97, and for employee and family the cost now is \$1,517.77 and the new would be \$1,275.84. Some employees voice their concern that they would not be able to reach the deductible and did not like the idea of not getting the \$250.00 reimbursement. Some asked if they were to go on their spouses and the County pay the difference which would be about half of what the County pays for the employee premium now, because of the extra benefit they pay towards the spousal and family insurance. The Board was not in favor of this. If the new premiums which will take effect in January, 2010, will be lower the Board may consider reducing what they pay towards the spousal and family insurance as it was increased because the premiums went up in July. The County now pays \$265.00 towards spousal insurance plus the single employee premium or \$925.86 and the County pays \$300.00 towards family insurance plus the single employee premium or \$960.86.

Wichmann told the Board that deductibles could be discussed at the next board meeting but the new deductible had to be decided today. Moved Euse, second Hahn to go with the buy down with Mid American Benefits, Inc. and Blue Cross Blue Shield with the plan option funded at 25% and a \$1,500.00 deductible to take effect January 1, 2010. Roll Call: All Ayes.

RESOLUTION 2009-14: Highway Superintendent Mike Meyer presented the Board with RESOLUTION 2009-14 where the County Board adopts the new Digital Flood Insurance Rate Map and the Flood Insurance Study for Merrick County effective January 6, 2010. Moved Euse, second Wiegert to approve and sign RESOLUTION 2009-14. Roll Call: All Ayes.

RESOLUTION 2009-14 is on file in County Clerk's office.

RESOLUTION 2009-15: Highway Superintendent Mike Meyer presented the Board with RESOLUTION 2009-15 which amends Ordinance/Resolution No. 1 dated January 3, 2009. The amendment is that grain bin drying floor is the top of the floor, and to specify that any storage shed like pole sheds, etc. less than 400 square feet would not have to be above 100 year

flood. Moved Husmann, second Euse to approve and sign RESOLUTION 2009-15. Roll Call: All Ayes. RESOLUTION 2009-15 is on file in the County Clerk's office.

Juvenile Diversion Fund: County Treasurer Dunham told the Board that the Juvenile Diversion Fund was in the hole by \$807.41. County Attorney Curry said that he was not aware of this. Dunham said that she had told the Juvenile Diversion officer about this. Dunham said that more claims had been turned in and that wages still needed to be taken out of this fund putting the fund further in the red. Dunham asked the Board what they wanted to do. County Clerk Wichmann told Curry and the Board that a Blackberry phone had been purchased for Juvenile Diversion with the plan changed to nationwide and internet was added. Wichmann said that all officials use their personal phones for business and wanted to know why there was a need for a nationwide plan with internet. Curry said that he did not know. Wichmann said that it just didn't look good to be making these purchases with no money. Dunham said that there was another grant fund that Curry had said needed to be spent down. Curry said that that fund was for programs but that money could be transferred to the Juvenile Diversion Fund as long as it was paid back to the grant fund. To do this, the County Treasurer would need to do a resolution. Wichmann asked Curry if the phone purchase could come out of that grant fund and Curry said that might be possible. County Treasurer Dunham will present the Board with a resolution to transfer the money from the grant fund to Juvenile Diversion Fund at the next Board meeting.

Moved Euse, second Hahn to go into executive session for litigation at 11:23 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes. Moved Euse, second Wiegert to go out of executive session at 11:25 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Crisis Center: County Clerk Wichmann told the Board that the Crisis Center would like to have a candle light vigil on the courthouse lawn this month. Moved Husmann, second Euse to let the Crisis Center have their vigil. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Standard Appraisal Contract: Husmann asked why the County was paying \$63,000.00 to Standard Appraisal for appraisal of agricultural improved properties. Husmann said that ag land was hit hard this last year already, so why were they going after them again. Husmann also wanted to know why the County Assessor and her people could not do this instead of it being hired out. Moved Husmann, second Hahn to not approve the Standard Appraisal Contract for Rural Residential and Agricultural Improved Properties. Euse said that the Board needed more information and that maybe this should be tabled as the Assessor was not present. Husmann and Hahn asked to withdraw the motion and second. Motion was withdrawn.

Assessor Placke came to the Board and said that her office tries to do as much as possible in house but they are behind in acreages. She said that they may have to go from 12 to 20. Husmann said that not all of the counties use an outside company that they do their own. Moved Euse, second Hahn to sign and approve the Standard Appraisal Contract. Roll Call: Ayes: Wiegert, Husmann, Hahn, Euse, and Jefferson. Nays: None. Abstain: Schneiderheinz.

Moved Euse, second Husmann to go into executive session at 11:53 a.m. for litigation. Roll Call: All Ayes. Moved Euse, second Husmann to go out of executive session at 12:03 p.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Annual Report: Highway Superintendent Mike Meyer presented the Board with the equipment cost report for approval and also the end of the year report to be certified to the State. Moved Euse, second Wiegert to approve the reports. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Fees: The September 2009 fees from the Sheriff, Clerk of District Court, and County Clerk were presented to the Board for approval. Moved Euse, second Husmann to approve the September 2009 fees as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Hike and bike trail: County Clerk Wichmann told the Board that the NRD called and wanted the Board to nominate or appoint someone to set on the committee to help put a cooperative agreement together for the hike and bike trail. Hahn volunteered to set on the committee.

Claims: The October 2009 claims were presented to the Board for approval:

FUND	NAME	INVDESC	TOTCLAIMS
GENERAL			\$
	A & P PROCESS SERVICE	COURT COSTS	56.16
		CLEAN	\$
	AMSAN LLC	PRODUCTS	313.90
			\$
	BADER PARK PLATTE PEER GROUP	SEMI ANN PYMNT	4,182.00
			\$
	DOROTHY D BENTON	ATTY FEES	6,034.38
			\$
	GARY BERRY	EDUCATION	312.48
			\$
	PAUL BEYER	CELL PHONE	30.00
			\$
	BOSELMAN ENERGY, INC	FUEL	53.72
			\$
	PAUL BRILL	CELL PHONE	30.00

		\$
GEORGE E BRUGH	MH BOARD	199.50
		\$
CABLE NEBRASKA	CABLE TV SERVI	45.95
		\$
CENTRAL CITY AUTO PARTS/SHERIFF ACT	CAR REPAIR	34.06
		\$
CENTRAL CITY MALL	DC JURY	46.77
		\$
CENTRAL CITY MALL	POP MACHINE	101.33
		\$
CENTRAL CITY MALL	SUPPLIES	19.05
	LAW	\$
CENTRAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE	ENFORCEMEN	200.00
		\$
CENTRAL DISTRICT HEALTH DEPARTMENT	CONTRACT	2,583.33
		\$
CENTRAL PLATTE RESOURCE	3-FLAGS	19.50
		\$
CENTRAL TRUE VALUE	SUPPLIES	30.22
		\$
CENTRAL WASTE DISPOSAL, INC	GARBAGE SRVC	124.52
		\$
CITY OF CENTRAL CITY SEWER	SEWER	23.72
		\$
CITY OF CENTRAL CITY/ UTILITIES	UTILITIES	2,370.96
		\$
CITY OF G.I. UTILITIES DEPT	UTILITIES	14.10
		\$
CLERK OF DISTRICT COURT/CC	COURT COSTS	264.22
		\$
NE DAS COMMUNICATIONS	EQPT RENTAL	448.00
		\$
JAMES M DAVIS	BALIFF/MILEAGE	103.60
		\$
DELL MARKETING	SUPPLIES	85.49
		\$
DONNA'S PRAIRIE CAFE	DC JURY MEAL	95.74
		\$
EAKES OFFICE PLUS	SUPPLIES	165.65
		\$
EAKES OFFICE PLUS	SUPPLIES	15.47
		\$
ECO WATER SYSTEMS	OFFICE WATER	115.50
		\$
NORMAN EUSE	MILEAGE	155.10
		\$
GARY'S BODY SHOP/SHERIFF	VEHICLE REPAIR	991.40
		\$
THERESA GOOD	INS REIMBURSE	381.56
		\$
D.L. HAHN	MILEAGE	66.00
		\$
HALL COUNTY COURT	COURT EXPENSE	3.50
		\$
HAMILTON COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE	COPIES	3.00
		\$
HAMILTON COUNTY COURT	COURT EXPENSE	2.75
		\$
HAMILTON TELECOMMUNICATIONS	EQUIPMENT	63.95

HANSON GRIME STOPPERS	CLEANING SRVC	\$ 1,316.00
HILDER IMPLEMENT INC	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 134.61
MARK HOGUE	CELL PHONE	\$ 30.00
ROBERT HUSMANN	MILEAGE	\$ 217.80
MIKE HUTCHINSON	CELL PHONE	\$ 30.00
IBM CORPORATION	EQUIP LEASE	\$ 4,823.78
JACKSON SERVICES	SERVICE SUPPLY	\$ 77.00
JENSEN PUBLISHING	PRINTING	\$ 140.00
JENSEN PUBLISHING	PUBLICATION	\$ 92.40
JENSEN PUBLISHING/P&Z	PRINTING	\$ 11.65
JOURNAL PRINT SHOP	PRINTING	\$ 98.00
JOURNAL PRINT SHOP/P&Z	PRINTING	\$ 8.25
JOURNAL PRINT SHOP	PUBLICATION	\$ 395.36
DISTRICT COURT JURY	DC JURORS	\$ 2,295.40
MICHAEL P KNEALE	ATTY FEES	\$ 3,540.00
THOMAS L.KOVANDA	ATTY FEES	\$ 5,828.75
LANCASTER COUNTY COURT	COURT EXPENSE	\$ 8.75
LEXISNEXIS	LAW LIBRARY	\$ 212.00
LITZENBERG/HOSPITAL OPERATING	OPERATION SUPP	\$ 8,333.33
LITZENBERG MEMORIAL HOSPITAL	PRISONERS BOAR	\$ 1,604.00
ROSS A LUZUM, ATTORNEY AT LAW	ATTORNEY FEE	\$ 112.50
TIMOTHY P MATAS	ATTY FEES	\$ 1,106.25
MAXIMUS CONSULTING SERVICES, INC	CONSULTANT	\$ 2,537.50
MCI	TELEPHONE	\$ 45.99
MCILNAY & CO	9/22/2009	\$ 63.67
ANTHONY MCPHILLIPS	CELL PHONE	\$ 30.00
MERRICK CO. COURT	COURT COSTS	\$ 175.00
MERRICK CO. EXTENSION SERVICE	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 1,760.60
MERRICK CO. HIGHWAY DEPT.	PROPERTY TAX	\$ 80,967.09
MERRICK CO. HISTORIC SOCIETY	ANNUAL PAYMENT	\$ 5,500.00

MERRICK CO. SHERIFF	SUPPLIES	\$ 144.35
MERRICK CO. TREASURER	EDUCATION	\$ 456.52
MICHAEL MEYER	TRAVEL/POSTAL COMPUTER	\$ 550.80
MIPS INC.	SUPP	\$ 202.75
JENNIFER MYERS	MILEAGE	\$ 125.40
DISTRICT 3 PROBATION OFFICE	PROBATION OFF	\$ 4,890.00
NE PUBLIC HEALTH ENVIRONMENTAL LAB	INVEST COSTS	\$ 168.00
NE REAL PROPERTY APPRAISER BOARD	LICENSE RENEW	\$ 200.00
NESCA TRAINING	L.E. TRAINING	\$ 85.00
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 73.24
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 55.74
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 175.24
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 133.14
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 103.07
NT&T	TELEPHONE COURTHOUSE	\$ 218.61
NT&T	FAX	\$ 91.83
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 91.67
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 1,787.17
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 110.04
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 166.07
OFFICE SYSTEMS CO.	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 240.00
OFFICENET	SUPPLIES	\$ 631.20
OFFICENET	SUPPLIES	\$ 14.37
OFFICENET	SUPPLIES	\$ 140.44
OFFICENET,INC.	OFFICE EQUIP	\$ 414.25
OMB GUNS	EQUIPMENT	\$ 446.85
ORKIN PEST CONTROL	PEST CONTROL	\$ 60.78
PALSER SERVICE	CAR REPAIR	\$ 167.90
C. JO PETERSEN	ATTY FEES	\$ 435.00
JAN PLACKE	SUPPLY/TRAVEL	\$ 232.00

QUALITY INN & SUITES	TRAVEL	\$ 207.00
QWEST	TELEPHONE	\$ 50.72
RAMADA INN	LAW	\$
JAN I REEVES	ENFORCEMEN	\$ 128.00
REGION III BEHAVIORIAL HEALTH SERV	ATTY FEES	\$ 67.50
SAMPSON, CURRY & TWISS P.C.	MENTAL HEALTH	\$ 4,124.58
SCEDD	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 905.45
SCHENK AUTO S&R/SHERIFF	MEMBER DUES	\$ 2,250.00
SEVEN SPRINGS INC	CAR REPAIR	\$ 185.75
SHRED MONSTER INC	OFFICE WATER	\$ 30.50
SOFTWARE UNLIMITED CORPORATION	SHREDDING	\$ 70.20
ST FRANCIS MEDICAL CENTER	MAINTENANCE	\$ 256.00
STANARD APPRAISAL SERVICE, INC.	INVESTIGATIVE	\$ 149.15
STROMSBURG SOFT WATER	AG REAPPRAISAL	\$ 4,880.00
DAVID SULLIVAN	SUPPLIES	\$ 58.50
VISA	CELL PHONE	\$ 30.00
PATRICIA A WAGNER	SUPPLIES	\$ 293.12
REX WELLER	MILEAGE	\$ 79.20
MARCIA WICHMANN	MILEAGE	\$ 82.50
ROGER WIEGERT	POSTAGE/TRAVEL	\$ 86.20
JERRY D. WILLHOFT	MILEAGE	\$ 122.10
FLEET SERVICES	CONTRACT SRVC	\$ 1,241.67
TOTAL	FUEL	\$ 2,418.26
ROADS		\$ 171,610.09
ALLTEL/ROADS	TELEPHONE	\$ 90.25
APPLIED CONTROLS EQUIPMENT CO. INC.	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 14.95
ARCHER SUPPLY INC	FUEL	\$ 2,167.82
AURORA CO-OP ELEVATOR CO.	FUEL	\$ 1,806.75
BOMGAARS	SUPPLIES	\$ 399.90
BOSELMAN INC/ROADS	OIL & GREASE	\$ 156.68
		\$

CENTRAL CITY AUTO PARTS/ROADS	SUPPLIES	205.43
		\$
COMPUTER CONCEPTS INC.	OFFICE SUPPLY	154.95
		\$
DINKEL'S IMPLEMENT CO	EQUIP RENTAL	367.57
		\$
EAKES OFFICE PLUS INC/ROADS	OFFICE SUPPLY	21.30
		\$
FILTER CARE	EQUIP REPAIR	86.85
		\$
GARRETT ENTERPRISES,INC.	TIRES	1,253.00
	CONCRETE	\$
GARY SMITH CONSTRUCTION CO. INC.	OVRLY	446,481.13
		\$
GILBARCO INC	FUEL	17.00
		\$
GRAND ISLAND CLINIC/ROADS	CDL TEST	25.00
		\$
GREEN LINE EQUIPMENT OF CC/ROADS	EQUIP REPAIR	25.25
		\$
GROSSHANS, INC./ROADS	EQUIP REPAIR	9.72
		\$
GEOTECHNICAL SERVICES, INC	ENGINEERING	1,125.00
		\$
HUSKER CO-OP	FUEL	613.70
		\$
ISLAND SUPPLY WELDING CO.	SHOP SUPPLIES	71.55
		\$
JACKSON LINEN SERVICE/ROADS	SHOP SUPPLIES	12.91
		\$
JIM POGUE CONSTRUCTION	PAVEMENT MARK	5,797.00
		\$
KIRKHAM MICHAEL	ENGINEER FEE	735.00
		\$
LITZENBERG HOSPITAL/ROADS	CDL TEST	75.00
		\$
MAINELLI WAGNER & ASSOCIATES, INC	ENGINEER FEES	4,063.50
		\$
MERRICK CO. TREASURER	SALES TAX	1,350.47
		\$
NEBR. MACHINERY CO.	EQUIP REPAIR	18,097.75
		\$
NEBR. TRUCK CENTER, INC.	EQUIP REPAIR	83.46
		\$
NT&T/SHOP	TELEPHONE	86.55
		\$
NT&T/ROADS	TELEPHONE	121.24
		\$
OVERLAND SAND & GRAVEL	GRAVEL	208.46
		\$
PALMER SERVICE CENTER	FUEL	17,466.00
		\$
PALSER SERVICE/ROADS	TIRES	26.25
		\$
SAPP BROS. PETROLEUM	FUEL	1,262.40
		\$
SCOTT-VAN KEPPEL-BR	EQUIP REPAIR	351.31
		\$
SOURCEGAS,LLC	HEATING	94.94
		\$

	SOUTHERN POWER DISTRICT	ELECTRICITY	295.87
			\$
	STATE GLASS, INC.	EQUIP REPAIR	15.00
			\$
	UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA/KEARNEY	EDUCATION	140.00
			\$
	VILLAGE OF CHAPMAN	ELECTRICITY	40.55
			\$
	ZEE MEDICAL SERVICE CO.	SHOP SUPPLIES	83.40
			\$
	TOTAL		505,500.86
LODGING			\$
	JENSENS PUBLISHING	LEGAL NOTICE	2.76
			\$
	TOTAL		2.76
RELIEF/MEDICAL			\$
	GREENWAY FUNERAL HOME	COUNTY BURIAL	748.00
			\$
	LINDA GREGER	CONTRACT	135.00
			\$
	NORM'S U SAVE PHARMACY	PRIS/MEDICAL	69.71
			\$
	TOTAL		952.71
INSTITUTIONS			\$
	NE HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES	INSTITUTIONS	279.00
			\$
	TOTAL		279.00
JUVENILE DIVERSION OFFICE			\$
	MERRICK CO DIVERSION	SUPPLIES	480.97
			\$
	TOTAL		480.97
INHERITANCE			\$
	CENTRAL PLATTE RESOURCE	MOORES CREEK	8,996.88
		ANNUAL	\$
	GIS WORKSHOP	SUPPORT	1,925.00
			\$
	MIPS INC.	#9100884	2,477.22
			\$
	TOTAL		13,399.10
BUILDING PROJECT			\$
	DICK SPIEHS CONSTRUCTION	CONSTRUCT	\$
		COST	225.00
			\$
	ELECTRONIC SYSTEMS,INC	FIRE ALARM MNT	78.00
		CONSTRUCT	\$
	MCILNAY & CO	COST	8,928.00
			\$
	TOTAL		9,231.00
E911			\$
	FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS	E 911 PHONE SE	1,076.66
			\$
	GEO COMM CORP	MAINTENANCE	4,453.00
			\$
	GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS	E 911 PHONE SE	17.90

NNTC	E911 PHONE	\$ 139.14
QWEST	E 911 PHONE SE	\$ 235.42
QWEST	E 911 PHONE SE	\$ 402.77
TOTAL		\$ 6,324.89

Moved Euse, second Wiegert to approve and pay the October 2009 claims as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes

Moved Husmann, second Wiegert to adjourn at 12:27 p.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/John Jefferson, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk

October 27, 2009

The Merrick County Board of Supervisors met Tuesday, October 27, 2009, at 9:00 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Euse, Hahn, Jefferson, Husmann, Schneiderheinz, Weller, and Wiegert present. Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. Proof of publication is filed in the Clerk's Office. Copies of the agenda were mailed to each Supervisor and kept current and available to the public at the County Clerk's Office.

Chairman Jefferson declared the meeting was preceded by publicized notice and having acknowledged and identified the location of the posting of the current copy of the Open Meetings Act, called the meeting to order and in open session at 9:00 a.m.

Wiegert led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Moved Weller, second Hahn to convene as Board of Supervisors at 9:00 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes

Agenda: Moved Euse, second Weller to approve the agenda as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Minutes: Moved Husmann second Wiegert to approve the minutes as published. Roll Call: Ayes: Hahn, Schneiderheinz, Euse, Husmann, Wiegert, and Jefferson, Nays: None, Abstain: Weller.

Meeting Reports: Schneiderheinz attended the Senior Center meeting, Weller attended the Development Corporations meeting and said that they are still getting reorganized with the new director. Husmann attended a Bader Park meeting and a Central District Health meeting. Husmann said his term on the Health Department will be up in January and someone else will have to take his place. Roger Wiegert said that he would take Husmann's position. Jefferson attended a hospital meeting.

Officials Reports: Highway Superintendent Mike Meyer said he had attended the NRD meeting and Olsson's had done a study on the Prairie Creek. The structures that the county had built 20 or more years ago are deficient and some are closed now. One option they are looking at is a diversion. Sheriff McPhillips told the Board that one of his patrol cars had been hit by a train by the paddock. There was no one in the vehicle as it was stuck on the tracks. The State Patrol investigated the accident. The car is destroyed plus all the equipment. McPhillips also told the Board that the region received a grant for \$362,000.00 and the region will be building a communication system. McPhillips said that he would like a line item in the budget for the region communication, which can be taken care of by the County Treasurer and the County Clerk.

Conditional Use Hearing: Moved Weller, second Husmann to open the conditional use hearing for Platte Valley Construction at 10:00 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes. Planning and Zoning Administration Jennifer Myers said that Platte Valley Construction wants to start pumping in Section 31 Township 11 Range 8 West to produce sand and gravel. They also plan on developing around the sand pit. Myers said that there had been a conditional use on this property fifteen years ago but it has expired. Myers said that the residents are concerned about traffic issues. Melody Anderson was present and voiced her concerns on the traffic going in and out at all hours, as she will share a driveway with them. John and Greg Niedfelt of Platte Valley Construction were present and said the pumping that will be done is to create sand fill for home lots and if they produce gravel along the way they will sell the gravel. Niedfelt said that the operation hours will be Monday thru Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. They are planning on having 20 to 25 lots, with the lots ranging in 1 1/2 to 2 acres. There will be two septic systems per lot. Myers said that the conditional use meets all criteria. Moved Weller, second Husmann to approve the conditional use for Platte Valley Construction for 31-11-8. Roll Call: Ayes: Euse, Wiegert, Schneiderheinz, Husmann, Weller, and Jefferson. Nays: Hahn. Motion carried.

Moved Euse, second Hahn to close the hearing at 10:19 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Split Approval: Planning & Zoning, Jennifer Myers presented the board with a split approval for the SE 1/4 of 9-15-4 for Virgil Kuta. Myers said that this fits all regulations. Moved Euse, second Wiegert to approve the split approval for Virgil Kuta of the SE 1/4 of 9-15-4. Roll Call: All Ayes.

CASA: Diana Meyer with CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates) gave a brief review of what CASA is all about. Meyer said that the workers are court appointed volunteers for abused and neglected children. Meyer said that they have been in Grand Island since 1996 and they have a team called LB1184 that meets once a month and consists of the County Attorney, Sheriff, School Counselors, and etc. Nebraska is one of fourteen states that does not have state funding for this. CASA is requesting \$2,500.00 and to be added as a line item on the budget for coming years. CASA is also looking into working with juveniles sometime down the line. Weller told Meyer to remind the board in January or February when they start working on the budget requests.

RESOLUTION 2009-17: County Treasurer Dunham presented RESOLUTION 2009-17 which authorizes the Treasurer to transfer \$4,000.00 from the Juvenile Grant Fund to the Juvenile Diversion Fund. The Juvenile Diversion Fund is short \$3,953.82 and so the transfer was evened out. Moved Husmann, second Wiegert to approve RESOLUTION 2009-17 to transfer \$4,000.00 from the Juvenile Grant Fund to the Juvenile Diversion Fund to cover the shortage. Roll Call: All Ayes. RESOLUTION 2009-17 is on file in the County Clerk's office.

Trailer Damage: Highway Superintendent Mike Meyer told the Board that Matt Myers had called him and told him that a loose plank on a bridge had come up when he was crossing it. Myers was present and said that he was pulling a cattle trailer

and that when his pickup crossed, it kicked up the plank and shoved it into the front axle of his trailer. The bridge west of Joe Santin's place doesn't get a lot of traffic. Meyer said that he had called NIRMA and they told him he could do one of two things; fill out an accident report or have Matt Myers insurance company fill on it. Matt Myers had brought pictures of the plank and he said that after he called Meyer that someone came out and fixed the plank right away. The Board said that Mike Meyer should file a claim with NIRMA and go from there.

Speed limit in Silver Creek: Pat Robinson of Silver Creek said the Village of Silver Creek would like the speed limit reduced from Highway 39 to the first intersection of town on Road P12. Moved Euse, second Hahn to reduce the speed limit to 25 miles per hour on the county side of Road P12. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

SCEDD: Sharon Hueftle came before the board and gave a presentation on what the South Central Economic Development District is doing with their money and their time.

Juvenile Diversion Grant: County Clerk Wichmann presented the Board with paperwork from the Juvenile Diversion Officer for the Juvenile Diversion Grant approval. Moved Husmann, second Wiegert to approve the paperwork for the Juvenile Diversion Grant. Roll Call: All Ayes. Planning & Zoning Myers said that the paperwork was not the grant it was a report requesting the money for the grant. The paperwork was for three months of expenses. Myers said that there is a first report that gets done and that it can be done for six months instead of three months at a time. By turning in six months of expenses, the money would be in the fund before it is spent. She offered to talk with the Juvenile Diversion Officer on how to do this. County Clerk Wichmann said that the time sheets for the Juvenile Diversion Officer were not correct and that with the different hours that were required that maybe it should be considered to make the Juvenile Diversion Officer salary instead of hourly. Myers said she was salary when she worked in Juvenile Diversion. Deputy County Attorney Twiss said that he thought County Attorney Steve Curry had to make that decision as she was his employee. Twiss will discuss this with Curry.

Moved Husmann, second Wiegert to withdraw the prior motion to approve the paperwork for the grant as the paperwork was not for the grant. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Mileage and Fuel for County Vehicles: The County Board questioned Extension Educator Darrel Siekman about his use of the county's vehicle. The last expense claim turned in by Siekman showed mileage and fuel. The Board wanted to know why he charged mileage and fuel on a County vehicle. Siekman said that he only charged mileage for his personal vehicle that he used when the County's vehicle was being repaired. He said that the only personal use of the County's vehicle is when he takes it back and forth to work and lunch and that had been approved by the Board years before. County Clerk Wichmann said that she had added line items for Siekman to put his lodging, meals, travel arrangement under. Wichmann also said that she needed the original bills for the extension office as it is spending county money now and not the states. Siekman stated that he never used to do this and Wichmann said that the statues changed because it is county money and not the states now, like it used to be. The taxpayers have the right to know what the money is being spent on and how much. Now with him turning the expenses in together and a check being issued to the Extension Office the taxpayers cannot see where the money is going and for what. Wichmann said that the State Auditor had told Siekman this and Siekman stated they had not. Wichmann and Siekman will get together to get the problem worked out.

Weller absent at 12:30 p.m.

Health Insurance: County Clerk Wichmann gave the board the amendment for the Blue Cross Blue Shield Health Insurance to be signed by the Chairman. Before the amendment could be signed the board needed to decide how much of the premium for spouse/child and family the county was going to pay, if they were going to leave the amount like it is now or lower it. The board also needs to decide how they were going to handle the new deductible. Currently the county pays \$265 towards the spouse/child and \$300 towards the family. These amounts were raised in July because the premiums for health insurance had increased. The old premiums were \$660.86 for single, fully paid by the county, \$1,326.63 for spouse/child which the county paid \$660.86 for the employee and another \$265.00 towards the spouse/child or a total of \$925.86, and \$1,517.77 for family which the county paid \$660.86 for the employee and another \$300.00 towards the family for a total of \$960.86. The new premium will be \$559.18 for single, \$1,109.47 for spouse/child and \$1,269.34 for family with a new deductible of \$1,500.00 for single and \$3,000 for employee/spouse/child and \$3,000.00 for employee and family. The board thought that the employee should pay the first \$500.00 of the deductibles, the county pays the next \$1,000.00 and the employee would be responsible for the other \$1,500.00 on the spouse/child and family. Assessor Placke said that with the money the county would be saving on the premiums and not reimbursing to the employee that she felt the county share could stay the same and still save money for the county. Clerk Wichmann said that the reason for going to a higher deductible was to save the county money and the only reason the county portion of the premium for spouse/child and family were raised was because the premium went up by a little more than \$100.00 and now the new premium was going down by \$100.00 so maybe the county portion should go back down. Moved Euse, second Hahn to leave the premium payments for the county portion as they are now with the county paying the full amount of \$559.18 per employee plus \$265.00 towards spouse/child and \$300.00 towards family. For the deductible the employee will pay the first \$500.00, and the county the next \$1,000. For spouse/child and family the employee will pay the next \$1,500.00. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Payroll Claims: The October, 2009 payroll claims were submitted for approval: General: Gross: \$91,361.18 Net:

\$64,910.75 Roads: Gross: \$43,642.80 Net: \$27,198.23 Juvenile Diversion: Gross: \$2,560.50 Net: \$2,156.74.
Moved Euse, second Wiegert to approve the October 2009 payroll claims as submitted. Roll Call: All Ayes.
Moved Schneiderheinz, second Euse to adjourn at 2:47 p.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/John Jefferson, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk

November 10, 2009

The Merrick County Board of Equalization met Tuesday, November 10, 2009, at 9:00 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Euse, Hahn, Jefferson, Husmann, Schneiderheinz, Weller, and Wiegert present. Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. Proof of publication is filed in the Clerk's Office. Copies of the agenda were mailed to each Supervisor and kept current and available to the public at the County Clerk's Office.

Chairman Jefferson declared the meeting was preceded by publicized notice and having acknowledged and identified the location of the posting of the current copy of the Open Meetings Act, called the meeting to order and in open session at 9:00 a.m.

Jefferson led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Moved Weller, second Husmann to convene as Board of Equalization at 9:00 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Agenda: Moved Euse, second Husmann to approve the agenda as published and presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Minutes: Moved Husmann, second Hahn to approve the minutes of October 13, 2009 meeting as published. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Distress Warrants: County Treasurer Dunham reported to the board that on October 15, 2009 she had turned over 61 distress warrants to the Sheriff totaling \$50,968.91. Dunham said that a lot of them had been settled already.

Vehicle Exemption: County Treasurer Dunham asked for approval for Goodwill Industries on a vehicle exemption for a 2006 Chrysler Sebring VIN#1C3EL56R86N249016. It will be used for picking up and taking home clients or support of clients activities and training. Moved Euse, second Hahn to approve the vehicle exemption for Goodwill Industries for the 2006 Chrysler Sebring. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Moved Weller, second Wiegert to adjourn as Board of Equalization at 9:10 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/John Jefferson, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk

November 10, 2009

The Merrick County Board of Supervisors met Tuesday, November 10, 2009, at 9:11 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Euse, Hahn, Jefferson, Husmann, Schneiderheinz, Weller, and Wiegert present. Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. Proof of publication is filed in the Clerk's Office. Copies of the agenda were mailed to each Supervisor and kept current and available to the public at the County Clerk's Office.

Chairman Jefferson declared the meeting was preceded by publicized notice and having acknowledged and identified the location of the posting of the current copy of the Open Meetings Act, called the meeting to order and in open session at 9:11 a.m.

Moved Euse, second Hahn to convene as Board of Supervisors at 9:11 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes

Agenda: Moved Husmann, second Wiegert to approve the agenda as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Minutes: Euse said that he wanted the minutes to state that the insurance deductible amount the county would pay would be per policy or family for clarification. Moved Husmann second Wiegert to approve the minutes with the correction. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Meeting Reports: Hahn and Schneiderheinz attended the Midland Area on Aging in Hastings. Weller attended the Merrick County Development Corporation meeting and said they were updating the bylaws and reorganizing because of the new director. Wiegert and Husmann attended the Central District Health meeting Monday. Husmann attended the meeting held at the Vets Club in Grand Island about the water contamination along Gunbarrel Road. Husmann said the residents had been taken off of bottled water and put on a charcoal system and it is not working.

Officials Report: Weed Superintendent Jerry Wilhoft told the board that he had an office inspection last week and that he passed. Wilhoft said that they didn't quite get done spraying but would finish in the spring with the same helicopter and for the same price. Beth Pullen presented the board with a proposal from John Lesiak to put ballards around the fire hydrant on the west side of the courthouse. The proposal is good for 120 days. Sheriff McPhillips reported that NIRMA had come out and looked at the wrecked sheriff's car. NIRMA said that they would pay the bills for the equipment and that the county should just send the bills to them for payment. McPhillips gave a detailed report to the board about the kidnapping that occurred on Sunday and ended by Silver Creek. McPhillips told the board that the sheriff's department needs new patrol rifles for their vehicles. The new guns would be M4's, semi-automatics at a general cost of \$1,100.00 per rifle. McPhillips said there is no grant money for these and that he was asking the board to come up with the money because he had not budgeted for this. McPhillips said that he would need six of these and the deputies would need to go to the training center to be trained and certified in order to use these rifles. The cost for training would be the cost of the ammunition only and would probably

be \$500.00 to \$600.00. Highway Superintendent Mike Meyer reported that they were working on a bridge by LeRoy Seim's. **Rent Assistance:** County Clerk Wichmann said that a gentleman from Chapman had applied for rent assistance from the county. County Clerk gave the board the details from the information he had provided and that when asked if he had applied for unemployment he said that he had collected it before and that it would be six hundred and some dollars. He said that would just cover his other expenses. His rent is \$350.00 a month. Wichmann had also checked with the courts and reported her findings. Moved Weller, second Husmann to not approval rent assistance to this gentleman. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Salary Discussion: The board had been given the salary recommendations for the elected officials from NACO. Weller said that \$2,555.00 would have to be spent out in a year to meet the minimum. Weller said that he has a problem with a 6% raise. Weller said the deputies should be paid no less than 65% of the officials salary and not more than 75%. Weller said it would be up to the official as to what they would pay their deputy. Weller felt that the total increase should not be more than 5% including the cost of living. Clerk of the District Court, Theresa Good said that she is being paid \$1,000.00 under the base and did not know why. Weller recommended that be stopped and she should be brought up to base. Weller said that he felt the chairman of the board should also continue receiving the extra \$50.00. The board will make salary decisions at the next board meeting.

Fund Shortages: County Treasurer Dunham told the board that she needs to transfer money from the inheritance fund to the general fund to cover expenses this month. Dunham said she doesn't understand the shortage because tax collections are one million dollars ahead of what they were last year. Dunham said that she called Andrew Simmons and asked him if he was taking the road transfer into account in the general fund. Simmons said he would have to check this out but has not yet responded. Dunham said that before the road transfer from the general fund can happen, the money has to be there. Dunham said there is \$3,158.00 in the Juvenile Diversion Grant Fund and that will not cover the expenses and payroll for the month of November for the Juvenile Diversion. County Attorney Curry said that the county had budgeted \$16,000.00 for Juvenile Diversion and wanted to know why it wasn't there to spend and after Dunham and Wichmann explained that the Juvenile Diversion is a levied fund and therefore the money come in as taxes are collected. Weller wanted to know if the county could make the \$16,000.00 available to Juvenile Diversion. Dunham said that the money would have to be transferred. Dunham said that is why she came to the board so that they could tell her how much she should transfer. Weller asked if she could transfer the \$16,000.00 from the General Fund into the Juvenile Diversion Fund and then transfer money from the Inheritance Fund into the General Fund to cover the expenses, the Juvenile Diversion transfer, and payroll out the of the General Fund. Dunham said she would do that and would come to the board at the next board meeting with the resolution to do so. Curry said that the juveniles pay fees to be in the program of \$100 more or less and that part of that money is used for classes and the remainder is turn into the county. Dunham said that the county has never seen any of this money and has never received any stop money either that is suppose to be turned into the county. Curry also said that the grant money Juvenile Diversion is waiting for should be here by the end of the month. Husmann said that Juvenile Diversion, the County Attorney, and Jennifer Myers needed to be put on the agenda for the next board meeting to make sure this is all worked out. Wichmann said that she would add it to the agenda at 11:00 a.m. on November 24, 2009.

Amendment: County Attorney Curry gave the board a letter from Waddell & Reed that the County Clerk had given him to look over before giving it to the board. Curry said that he had called on it and filled out the form and it just now needed to be approved and signed by the chairman. Curry said that the Pension Protection Act was passed into law and it includes a requirement that you must now amend your employer-sponsored retirement plan to bring it into compliance. This amendment will not change anything in the Section 457(b) Plan. Moved Weller, second Euse to have the chairman sign the amendment for the Section 457 (b) Plan. Roll Call: All Ayes.

County Attorney time: County Attorney Curry told the board that Dr. William Fowles has filed a suit against the Board of Adjustment because he wants to raise the building and build the ground around it up on his land to bring it into compliance. Curry said that there are 16 cases at TERC and 15 are the Housing Authority. Willa Freeland would like to know if she can come meet with the county board and try to resolve the issue without going to TERC. Curry said that there is another case like this one before the supreme court now for another county. County Assessor Placke said that she did not agree with the numbers on the incomes. Placke said that vacancy was too high and administration cost was too high. Weller said that he feels it would be a waste of county money by going to TERC if this issue was going to be decided in a higher court. The board asked Placke to talk with Freeland and Placke said that she would get a hold of Darrel Standard and see if there could be something worked out.

County Clerk Wichmann gave the board a copy of the proposed change to the NACO Bylaws. The Nebraska County Attorneys Association has requested representation on the NACO Board of Directors. The NACO Board of Directors recommends that County Attorneys have a seat on the NACO Board of Directors. This will go to a vote at the NACO business meeting at the convention in December.

Fees: The October 2009 fees from the Clerk of District Court, Sheriff, and County Clerk were presented for the boards approval. Moved Euse, second Wiegert to approve the October 2009 fees. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Claims: The November 2009 claims were presented to the board for approval:

FUND	NAME	INVDISC	TOTCLAIMS
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GENERAL

		\$
AMERICAN RED CROSS	L.E. TRAINING	70.00
		\$
AMSAN LLC	RECEPTACLE	159.00
		\$
DOROTHY D BENTON	ATTY FEES	768.75
		\$
PAUL BEYER	CELL PHONE	30.00
		\$
BOB BARKER CO	SUPPLIES	47.57
		\$
PAUL BRILL	CELL PHONE	30.00
		\$
CABLE NEBRASKA	CABLE TV SRVC	45.95
		\$
CENTRAL CITY MALL	SUPPLIES	11.76
		\$
CENTRAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE	LE TRAINING	18.00
		\$
CENTRAL DISTRICT HEALTH DEPARTMENT	HLTH CONTRACT	2,583.33
		\$
CENTRAL TRUE VALUE	SUPPLIES	848.81
		\$
CITY OF CENTRAL CITY/ MINI BUS	MINI-BUS	418.73
		\$
CITY OF CENTRAL CITY/ UTILITIES	UTILITIES	1,923.22
		\$
CITY OF CENTRAL CITY	JAIL UTILITIES	85.57
		\$
CITY OF G.I. UTILITIES DEPT	UTILITIES	7.59
		\$
CLERK OF DISTRICT COURT/CC	COURT COSTS	123.13
		\$
COMPLETE FAMILY MEDICINE	LE TRAINING	146.00
		\$
NE DAS COMMUNICATIONS	EQUIP RENTAL	448.00
		\$
KAREN DUNHAM	SUPPLIES	17.98
		\$
EAKES OFFICE PLUS	SUPPLIES	5.90
		\$
EAKES OFFICE PLUS	MISC SUPPLIES	130.22
		\$
EAKES OFFICE PLUS INC.	SUPPLIES	31.50
		\$
EAKES OFFICE PLUS	SUPPLIES	1,154.98
		\$
EAKES OFFICE PLUS	SUPPLIES	37.36
		\$
ECO WATER SYSTEMS	OFFICE WATER	102.00
		\$
NORMAN EUSE	MILEAGE	51.70
		\$
GALUSHA ELECTRIC	BLDG REPAIR	116.42
		\$
SCOTT GRAFTON	ATTY FEES	2,350.00
		\$
GRAND ISLAND INDEPENDENT	NEWSPAPER	138.00
		\$

HAMILTON TELECOMMUNICATIONS	EQUIPMENT	128.90
		\$
HAMPTON INN / KEARNEY	LODGING	142.00
		\$
HANSON GRIME STOPPERS	CLEANING SRVC	1,316.00
		\$
MARK HOGUE	CELL PHONE	30.00
		\$
HORNADY	LE TRAINING	515.00
		\$
CINDIE HOSTLER	INS REIMBURSE	250.00
		\$
MIKE HUTCHINSON	CELL PHONE	30.00
		\$
JACKSON SERVICES	SRVC SUPPORT	154.00
		\$
JOHN JEFFERSON	MILEAGE	53.35
		\$
JENSEN PUBLISHING	PUBLICATION	1,127.64
		\$
JENSEN PUBLISHING	SUPPLIES	244.88
		\$
JENSEN PUBLISHING/P&Z	PRINTING	28.50
		\$
JOURNAL PRINT SHOP/P&Z	PRINTING	8.25
		\$
JOURNAL PRINT SHOP	PUBLICATION	309.12
		\$
JOSHUA KIMBROUGH	COURT COSTS	20.00
		\$
MICHAEL P KNEALE	ATTY FEES	1,170.00
		\$
THOMAS L.KOVANDA	ATTY FEES	1,275.00
		\$
LANCASTER CO SHERIFF	COURT COSTS	20.32
		\$
JENNIFER LANI	MILEAGE	1,019.70
		\$
MARLENE S LEE	JANITORIAL	75.00
		\$
LEXISNEXIS	LAW LIBRARY	212.00
		\$
LITZENBERG/HOSPITAL OPERATING	HOSPITAL SUPP	8,333.33
		\$
LITZENBERG MEMORIAL HOSPITAL	PRISONERS BRD	1,850.00
		\$
ROSS A LUZUM, ATTORNEY AT LAW	ATTY FEES	37.50
		\$
TIMOTHY P MATAS	ATTY FEES	1,106.25
		\$
MCI	TELEPHONE	102.48
		\$
MCILNAY & CO	SUPPLIES	6.45
		\$
ANTHONY MCPHILLIPS	CELL PHONE	30.00
		\$
MERRICK CO. COURT	COURT COSTS	367.00
		\$
MERRICK CO. EXTENSION SERVICE	MISC EXPENSES	2,032.73
		\$

MERRICK CO. HIGHWAY DEPT.	TRANSFER	80,967.01
		\$
MERRICK CO. TREASURER	DC POSTAGE	8,046.65
		\$
MIDWEST MAILING SYSTEMS INC	POSTAL SUPPLY	195.00
		\$
MIPS INC.	MICROFILMING	602.75
		\$
JENNIFER MYERS	TRAVEL/SUPPLY	342.17
		\$
NACO	REGISTRATION	885.00
		\$
NACO/NAT'L ASSOC. OF COUNTIES	NACO DUES	400.00
		\$
NE PUBLIC HEALTH ENVIRONMENTAL LAB	INVESTIGATION	84.00
		\$
NT&T	TELEPHONE	36.62
		\$
NT&T	TELEPHONE	50.88
		\$
NT&T	TELEPHONE	81.35
		\$
NT&T	TELEPHONE	45.90
		\$
NT&T	TELEPHONE	61.78
		\$
NT&T	TELEPHONE	110.40
	COURTHOUSE	\$
NT&T	FAX	43.66
		\$
NT&T	TELEPHONE	48.07
		\$
NT&T	TELEPHONE	585.03
		\$
NT&T	TELEPHONE	50.80
		\$
NT&T	TELEPHONE	76.44
		\$
OFFICENET	SUPPLIES	79.25
		\$
OFFICENET	SUPPLIES	186.44
		\$
OFFICENET	SUPPLIES	113.12
		\$
OFFICENET,INC.	COPIER	153.12
		\$
ORKIN PEST CONTROL	PEST CONTROL	60.78
		\$
PALSER SERVICE	CAR REPAIR	26.00
		\$
C. JO PETERSEN	ATTY FEES	412.50
		\$
QWEST	TELEPHONE	50.69
		\$
JAN I REEVES	ATTY FEES	225.00
		\$
SAM'S CLUB DIRECT	SUPPLIES	160.05
		\$
SAMPSON, CURRY & TWISS P.C.	MISC EXPENSES	1,444.31
		\$

SCHENK AUTO S&R/SHERIFF	CAR REPAIR	90.00
		\$
SEVEN SPRINGS INC	OFFICE WATER	8.00
		\$
ANDREW SIMMONS CPA,P.C.	BUDGET ASSIST	5,500.00
		\$
STANARD APPRAISAL SERVICE, INC.	AG REAPPRAISAL	3,500.00
STATE/NE DEPT CORRECTIONAL SERVICES	PRISONERS BRD	805.60
		\$
DAVID SULLIVAN	CELL PHONE	30.00
		\$
SVEHLA THOMAS RAUERT & GRAFTON PC	ATTY FEES	285.00
		\$
TREAT AMERICA FOOD SERVICES	EDUCATION	91.57
		\$
TYLER GRAPHICS SERV INC	SUPPLIES	65.00
		\$
VISA	SUPPLIES	6.44
		\$
BRANDON WARNER	COMPUTER IT	50.00
		\$
REX WELLER	MILEAGE	66.00
		\$
MARCIA WICHMANN	MILEAGE/MEALS	237.14
		\$
ROGER WIEGERT	MILEAGE	39.60
		\$
JERRY D. WILLHOFT	CONTRACT SRVC	1,241.67
		\$
FLEET SERVICES	FUEL	1,016.90
		\$
XEROX CORPORATION	SUPPLIES	96.30
		\$
TOTAL		142,650.86

ROADS

		\$
ALL ROADS BARRICADES, INC	SIGNS & POST	735.83
		\$
ALLTEL/ROADS	TELEPHONE	51.46
		\$
ARCHER SUPPLY INC	FUEL	1,206.63
		\$
AURORA CO-OP ELEVATOR CO.	FUEL	1,822.50
		\$
BOMGAARS	EQUIP REPAIR	103.76
		\$
CALIFORNIA CONTRACTORS SUPPLIES INC	SHOP SUPPLIES	130.80
		\$
CENTRAL CITY AUTO PARTS/ROADS	REPAIR/SUPPLY	204.22
		\$
JAMES CEPLECHA	INSURANCE REIM	250.00
		\$
COMPUTER CONCEPTS INC.	OFFICE SUPPLY	67.50
		\$
D-A LUBRICANT CO., INC.	OIL & GREASE	6,667.72
		\$
DAVE'S DO IT BEST CORP	SHOP SUPPLIES	19.78
		\$
DEL-RAY ALTERNATORS & STARTERS	EQUIP REPAIR	16.84

DINKEL'S IMPLEMENT CO	EQUIP RENTAL	\$ 8.90
EAKES OFFICE PLUS INC/ROADS	SUPPLIES	\$ 209.69
FILTER CARE	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 87.30
RANDY FUEHRER	MILEAGE	\$ 57.75
GARY SMITH CONSTRUCTION CO. INC.	OVERLAYS	\$ 23,499.01
GREEN LINE EQUIPMENT OF CC/ROADS	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 638.11
GEOTECHNICAL SERVICES, INC	ENGINEER TESTS	\$ 750.00
HERK'S WELDING SHOP	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 31.09
HUSKER CO-OP	FUEL	\$ 630.36
HUSKER STEEL	STEEL PRODUCTS	\$ 2,394.00
ISLAND SUPPLY WELDING CO.	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 39.75
J.I.L. ASPHALT PAVING CO.	ASPHALTIC	\$ 449.06
JACKSON LINEN SERVICE/ROADS	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 38.73
JENSEN PUBLISHING/ROADS	OFFICE SUPPLY	\$ 236.60
MCILNAY & CO., INC./ROADS	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 6.47
MERRICK CO. TREASURER	ROAD FUEL TAX	\$ 64.03
MICHAEL MEYER	TRAVEL/POSTAGE	\$ 699.40
MIDWEST SERVICE & SALES CO.	GRADER BLADES	\$ 11,483.70
NACO	MIKE MEYER	\$ 120.00
NEBR. MACHINERY CO.	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 125.25
NT&T/SHOP	TELEPHONE	\$ 42.93
NT&T/ROADS	TELEPHONE	\$ 55.99
OVERLAND SAND & GRAVEL	GRAVEL	\$ 12,641.80
PALSER SERVICE/ROADS	TIRES	\$ 126.20
SAPP BROS. PETROLEUM	FUEL & GREASE	\$ 1,229.13
SCOTT-VAN KEPPEL-BR	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 660.97
SOURCEGAS,LLC	HEATING	\$ 210.86
SOUTHERN POWER DISTRICT	ELECTRICITY	\$ 307.10
T.O. HAAS TIRE CO.	TIRES	\$ 83.49
VEBURG SEED CO.	RD MAINTANCE	\$ 91.20

	VILLAGE OF CHAPMAN	ELECTRICITY	\$ 40.15
	PAUL WAIT	INSURANCE REIM	\$ 250.00
	WELDON INDUSTRIES, INC.	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 631.58
	TOTAL		\$ 69,217.64
RELIEF/MEDICAL			
	LINDA GREGER	CONTRACT SRVC	\$ 135.00
	NORM'S U SAVE PHARMACY	PRISONER MEDS	\$ 4.25
	TOTAL		\$ 139.25
INSTITUTIONS			
	LANCASTER CO YOUTH SERVICES CENTER	JUV DETENTION	\$ 767.00
	NE HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES	INSTITUTIONS	\$ 270.00
	TOTAL		\$ 1,037.00
JUVENILE DIVERSION			
	BROOKS & ASSOCIATES	SUPPLIES	\$ 130.00
	MERRICK CO DIVERSION	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 211.92
	MERRICK CO. TREASURER	GRANT EXPENSE	\$ 622.09
	TOTAL		\$ 964.01
INHERITANCE			
	CENTRAL PLATTE RESOURCE	MOORES CREEK	\$ 3,035.78
	MIPS INC.	#9110883	\$ 2,477.22
	TOTAL		\$ 5,513.00
E911			
	FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS	E911 PHONE	\$ 144.31
	GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS	E911 PHONE SRV	\$ 79.80
	NNTC	E911 PHONE SRV	\$ 139.14
	QWEST	E911 PHONE	\$ 470.77
	QWEST	E911 PHONE	\$ 805.60
	TOTAL		\$ 1,639.62

Moved Weller, second Husmann to approve the November 2009 claims as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Central District Health Board: Husmann said that Roxanne Mostek's term on the Central District Health Board is up and the County Board needs to appoint someone to take her place. Husmann said that Mike Bowman had volunteered to take her place. Moved Husmann, second Euse to appoint Mike Bowman to the Central District Health Board. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Moved Husmann, second Wiegert to adjourn at 12:11 p.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/John Jefferson, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk

November 24, 2009

The Merrick County Board of Equalization met Tuesday, November 24, 2009, at 9:00 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Euse, Hahn, Jefferson, Schneiderheinz, Weller, and Wiegert present. Husmann was absent. Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. Proof of publication is filed in the Clerk's Office. Copies of the agenda were mailed to each Supervisor and kept current and available to the public at the County Clerk's Office.

Chairman Jefferson declared the meeting was preceded by publicized notice and having acknowledged and identified the location of the posting of the current copy of the Open Meetings Act, called the meeting to order and in open session at 9:00 a.m.

Hahn led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Moved Weller, second Hahn to convene as Board of Equalization at 9:00 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Agenda: Moved Weller, second Euse to approve the agenda as published and presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Minutes: Moved Hahn, second Wiegert to approve the minutes of November 10, 2009 meeting as published. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Willa Freeland came before the board to clarify some things. Freeland said that all she was asking the board for was for the board to do what the state says should be done. Freeland said that the state suggested using 35% for administration costs and the vacancy rate is 3%. Bader North is well over 3% and expenses totaled well over 3%. Freeland said they have no control over what the IRS says they must do. The IRS said they have to have a monitoring fee, auditing fee which are both done outside, and additional fee for NIFA and they also said to set up a replacement fee and they would set the price. Southeast Villa is not getting money back from TIF. The Housing Authority put money into the Southeast Villa construction and the money is being given back to the Housing Authority because they invested in Southeast Villa. After fifteen years, Southeast Villa will be gifted to the Housing Authority. Freeland said they are restricted for fifteen years by income and maximum rent. The rent is \$335.00 per unit. They provide a stove, refrigerator, dishwasher, lawn service, and snow removal. The renters pay their own utilities. Euse stated that the money from taxes does not come into the county and that taxes do not benefit the county and Assessor Placke said that was right. Euse asked why they were arguing with Freeland. Freeland asked that the board look at income value and not market value. Freeland said that October 1 of every year, she has to provide Assessor Placke with an income and expense report. When someone moves out, the carpets and flooring need to be replaced and in Bader North which is ten years old the appliances are starting to wear out. Freeland said that she didn't think the county would want to spend money for an attorney and she didn't want to either to take this to TERC. Freeland said the Housing Authority is maintaining the properties like Bader North and that is what the money is being used for. Southeast Villa has twelve units and Bader North has sixteen. Freeland said that Southeast Villa is larger and are newer units. Assessor Placke said that they did use income to figure the valuation. Freeland said that no one gains from the Housing Authority but the people. The money is used for the benefit of the people. Moved Hahn, second Weller to agree with Freeland in her tax protest to reduce the valuations of Bader North and Southeast Villa to \$49,850.00 as Freeland requested. Roll Call: AYES: Euse, Wiegert, Schneiderheinz, Weller, and Hahn. NAYS: Jefferson. Motion carried 5 to 1.

Moved Euse, second Wiegert to adjourn as Board of Equalization at 9:45 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/John Jefferson, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk

November 24, 2009

The Merrick County Board of Supervisors met Tuesday, November 24, 2009, at 9:45 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Euse, Hahn, Jefferson, Schneiderheinz, Weller, and Wiegert present.

Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. Proof of publication is filed in the Clerk's Office. Copies of the agenda were mailed to each Supervisor and kept current and available to the public at the County Clerk's Office.

Chairman Jefferson declared the meeting was preceded by publicized notice and having acknowledged and identified the location of the posting of the current copy of the Open Meetings Act, called the meeting to order and in open session at 9:45 a.m.

Moved Euse, second Wiegert to convene as Board of Supervisors at 9:45 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes

Agenda: Moved Wiegert, second Euse to approve the agenda as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Minutes: Moved Hahn second Euse to approve the minutes as published. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Meeting Reports: Hahn attended the Central Nebraska Community Services meeting in Loup City and Weller attended the Mid Nebraska Individual Services meeting. Jefferson had attended a hospital board meeting.

Officials Reports: Weed Superintendent Jerry Wilhoft told the board that it was time to write the annual plan and if they had any suggestions to let him know. Beth Pullen said the cornice around the top of the old part of the courthouse on the east side is falling down on the rubber roof of the new addition. Pullen brought a piece that had fallen off and she said that she was afraid it would poke a hole in the rubber roof.

The board was going to get a hold of a guy that had done tuck pointing at the courthouse some years before and have him look at it. Highway Superintendent Mike Meyer said that the bridge inspections were about 2/3's done. Extension Educator Darrel Siekman said that the board needs to reorganize the extension board and Euse said to put it on the next agenda.

Sheriff's car: County Clerk Wichmann told the board that NIRMA had called about the wrecked sheriff's car and said that they would pay \$9,000.00 on the car. It is a 2005 with 83,000 miles. Weller said that the money budgeted for a vehicle in the sheriff's budget was spent on the Honda. The car for the sheriff's office will be tabled until the next board meeting. Moved Weller, second Hahn to pay the payroll claims. Weller and Hahn withdrew their motion and second as the claims had not all been signed yet.

Salaries 2011-2014: County Clerk Wichmann gave the board a copy of the resolution setting the salaries of the elected officials and the deputies, RESOLUTION 2009-20. Weller said that he had looked at consumer indexes and they were all different for cost of living. The recommended base salary for the County Assessor, Treasurer, Clerk of District Court, Attorney, and Clerk was \$43,800.00. Weller said to go by the recommended base salary would be a 6% increase. The salaries are set for a four year period and cannot be changed once they have been set. Weller said that by going with a \$1,000.00 a year set amount this would include the cost of living and would be right at 2.3% increase. The officials would reach the recommended amount about half way through their terms. Assessor Placke felt this would put the officials behind at the end of their term. RESOLUTION 2009-20 sets the base salary for the County Assessor, Attorney, Clerk of District Court, Treasurer, and Clerk for the year 2011 at \$42,245.00, the year 2012 \$43,245.00, the year 2013 \$44,245.00, and the year 2014 \$45,245.00. The County Sheriff if he remains the Emergency Management Director will be paid at 120% of the base salary or for the year 2011 \$50,694.00, the year 2012 \$51,894.00, the year 2013 \$53,094.00, and the year 2014 \$54,294.00. The County Surveyor will be paid at 35% of the base salary or for the year 2011 \$14,785.00, for the year 2012 \$15,135.00, for the year 2013 \$15,485.00, and for the year 2014 \$15,835.00. The County Supervisors will be paid 27.5 % of the base salary plus mileage and out-of-pocket expenses or for the year 2011 \$11,617.00, for the year 2012 \$11,892.00, for the year 2013 \$12,167.00, and for the year 2014 \$12,442.00. The County Supervisor Chairman will be paid an extra \$50.00 a month or for the year 2011 \$12,217.00, for the year 2012 \$12,492.00, for the year 2013 \$12,767.00, and for the year 2014 \$13,042.00. In addition to the salary the elected officials shall receive during his or her term of offices, at the county's expense, the employee's portion of the county's health and medical plan, the same as offered to all county employees. The county reserves the right to enter into any program for the benefit of employees of the county, such as insurance programs and such other programs as may be approved, with the right of elected officials granted to participate in such programs on the effective days of such programs as approved by the board. It is the intent of the Merrick County Board of Supervisors that participation in such programs shall not constitute an increase in the adopted salary, but shall be and is part of such salary. The deputies for the County Assessor, Attorney, Clerk of District Court, Treasurer, and Clerk will be paid at a minimum of 65% and a maximum of 75% of the officials salaries. The percentage is to be determined by the official. The Sheriff Chief Deputy will be paid at 80% of the Sheriff's salary or for the year 2011 \$40,555.00, for the year 2012 \$41,515.00, for the year 2013 \$42,475.00, and for the year 2014 \$43,435.00. The Sheriff Sergeant will be paid at 77.5% of the Sheriff's salary or for the year 2011 \$39,288.00, for the year 2012 \$40,218.00, for the year 2013 \$41,148.00, and for the year 2014 \$42,078.00. The Deputies will be paid 75% of the Sheriff's salary or for the year 2011 \$38,020.00, for the year 2012 \$38,920.00, for the year 2013 \$39,820.00, and for the year 2014 \$40,720.00. Moved Euse, second Weller to approve and sign RESOLUTION 2009-20 setting the salaries of the elected officials and deputies for the year 2011 through 2014. Roll Call: AYES: Hahn, Wiegert, Weller, Euse, and Jefferson. NAYS: Schneiderheinz. RESOLUTION 2009-20 is filed in the County Clerks office for review.

Payroll Claims: The November 2009 payroll claims were presented for approval: General: Gross: \$91,045.21 Net: \$64,335.81 Roads: Gross: \$41,184.76 Net: \$25,241.20 Juvenile Diversion: Gross: \$2,878.00 Net: \$2,449.95. Moved Weller, second Hahn to approve the November 2009 payroll claims as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Hospital report: Mike Bowman said the hospital is looking at architects for the possibility of building a new hospital. Bowman said this is very preliminary. The present hospital was built in 1959. Bowman said that he wants the County Board to look at the drawings before going to the public. When asked if the County Board had any say so on the new building, Bowman said yes and that if the Board said no to it that would be it. If the board says yes then it would go to a vote by the public.

Juvenile Diversion: County Attorney Curry said that Renee Peterson had called the Nebraska Crime Commission about the grant money. Peterson said that the money, \$16,900.00 should be in by November 30, 2009. Curry said that they would have to budget for Juvenile Diversion different next year. Curry said that there is grant money being spent after the claims are turned in for the final time in June. Those claims then go onto the next fiscal year. Petersen said that she has until June 30 to spend the grant money and that those claims go onto the next year because the claims are paid at the first board meeting in

June. She feels that something different needs to be done. Wichmann said that her office does claims the first meeting of the month and payroll the last. Wichmann said that she cannot wait until June 30th or later to do claims and payroll as the reports have to be printed, approved and signed by the board and the numbers have to be rolled over by the first working day of July. Jennifer Myers said she had the same problem when she was in diversion. Peterson said that she has a checking account so that she can pay for things for diversion when she needs it like pizza if she wants it for diversion or supplies. Curry said that by her having the checking account she doesn't have to be turning claims in for every little thing she buys. Peterson said she also doesn't have to spend her own money. She said the board could have an account of what she has spent and that she is not doing anything suspicious. Treasurer Dunham said that this fund is levied and Curry said that the county should just transfer the \$16,000 from the General Fund instead of levying for it. Curry said that he would get with Dunham, Wichmann, and the State Auditor and see about getting the Juvenile Diversion Fund changed.

Budget: County Clerk Wichmann informed the board that the budget would have to be amended. It will be amended in January after the total amount of monies to be moved around is figured. County Attorney Curry said that he didn't know why the budget would have to be amended because they never did that years before. Wichmann said that you can't move money around between funds without having to amend the budget and Treasurer Dunham said that State Auditor Deanne Haeffner had told Wichmann that it had to be done. Wichmann said just because it was done that way before did not mean it was done right. Wichmann said that Andrew Simmons had not taken into account in the budget that the road tax transfer was for tax collection of December 2009 through November 2010 and not the fiscal year. Dunham said there is a difference because the fiscal year is July through June and the tax collection year is December through November. The revenue side of the budget is for tax year and the expenditure side is fiscal.

RESOLUTION 2009-18: Treasurer Dunham asked for approval for RESOLUTION 2009-18 which is directing her to transfer \$16,000.00 from the General Fund to the Juvenile Diversion Officer Fund and \$220,000.00 from the Inheritance Fund to the General Fund which will cover shortages in these funds. Moved Weller, second Euse to approve RESOLUTION 2009-18. Roll Call: All Ayes. RESOLUTION 2009-18 is on file for review in the County Clerk's office.

RESOLUTION 2009-19: Treasurer Dunham asked for approval for RESOLUTION 2009-19 which directs the County Treasurer to transfer current year fiscal tax collection amounts going into the Juvenile Diversion Officer Fund back to the General Fund as repayment for the advance of the \$16,000.00 allocated to the Juvenile Diversion Fund. Moved Euse, second Wiegert to approve RESOLUTION 2009-19. Roll Call: All Ayes. RESOLUTION 2009-19 is on file for review in the County Clerk's office.

Tort claims: County Attorney Curry said the county board could either act upon the tort claims on the accident with the pickup and motor grader or not act on them. Curry advised the board not to act on the claims as they have been turned into the insurance company and they will handle it.

Voter registration: NACO had sent a voter registration to the County Clerk to have the chairman sign designating someone to vote in his place at the convention in Lincoln, in December if he was not going to be attending. The only supervisor attending will be Roger Wiegert so the chairman needed the board's approval to appoint Wiegert as the designated voter for Merrick County at convention in December. Moved Weller, second Hahn to have the chairman sign the voter registration designating Wiegert as the Merrick County voter at convention in December. Roll Call: AYES: Euse, Schneiderheinz, Hahn, Weller, and Jefferson. NAYS: None ABSTAIN: Wiegert. Motion carried 5 to 1.

Split approvals: Jennifer Myers approached the board with three splits needing the boards approval. The first split is for Becky Glynn for the NW1/4 of 30-13-8 because she is selling the home and acreage that goes with it. Moved Weller, second Hahn to approve the split for Becky Glynn for the NW1/4 30-13-8. Roll Call: All Ayes. The next split is for Bobby and Susan Larsen for the NW1/4 8-13-8 because they are going to sell three acres to their son so he can put a house on the property. Moved Hahn, second Euse to approve the split for Bobby and Susan Larsen for the NW1/4 8-13-8. Roll Call: All Ayes.

The third split is for Ronald Kortum for the NW1/4 16-12-7 because he is selling the building site to his daughter. This is the second split. Moved Euse, second Wiegert to approve the split for Ronald Kortum for the NW1/4 16-12-7. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Moved Euse, second Weller to adjourn at 12:01 p.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/John Jefferson, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk

December 22, 2009

The Merrick County Board of Equalization met Tuesday, December 22, 2009, at 9:00 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Euse, Hahn, Jefferson, Husmann, Weller, and Wiegert present. Schneiderheinz was absent. Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. Proof of publication is filed in the Clerk's Office. Copies of the agenda were mailed to each Supervisor and kept current and available to the public at the County Clerk's Office.

Chairman Jefferson declared the meeting was preceded by publicized notice and having acknowledged and identified the location of the posting of the current copy of the Open Meetings Act, called the meeting to order and in open session at 9:00 a.m.

Weller led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Moved Euse, second Husmann to convene as Board of Equalization at 9:00 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Agenda: Moved Euse, second Hahn to approve the agenda as published and presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Minutes: Moved Weller, second Wiegert to approve the minutes of November 24, 2009 meeting as published. Roll Call: Ayes: Euse, Hahn, Wiegert, Weller, and Jefferson. Nays: None. Abstain: Husmann.

Tax Corrections: Assessor Placke presented two tax corrections. #3537 for Lawrence Koza and Kimberly Schroeder for a home exemption was erroneously given to them and #3528 for Dan Monaghan because he had filed an amended personal property tax form. Moved Euse, second Husmann to approve the tax corrections and have the chairman sign them. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Moved Wiegert, second Hahn to adjourn as Board of Equalization at 9:07 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/John Jefferson, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk

December 22, 2009

The Merrick County Board of Supervisors met Tuesday, December 22, 2009, at 9:08 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Euse, Hahn, Jefferson, Husmann, Weller, and Wiegert present. Schneiderheinz was absent.

Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. Proof of publication is filed in the Clerk's Office. Copies of the agenda were mailed to each Supervisor and kept current and available to the public at the County Clerk's Office.

Chairman Jefferson declared the meeting was preceded by publicized notice and having acknowledged and identified the location of the posting of the current copy of the Open Meetings Act, called the meeting to order and in open session at 9:08 a.m.

Moved Husmann, second Wiegert to convene as Board of Supervisors at 9:08 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes

Agenda: Moved Hahn, second Euse to approve the agenda as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Minutes: Moved Weller second Wiegert to approve the minutes as published. Roll Call: Ayes: Euse, Hahn, Wiegert, Weller, and Jefferson. Nays: None. Abstain: Husmann.

Meeting Reports: Hahn attended the Senior Center meeting, Weller attended the Development Corporation meeting and Husmann attended the Bader Park meeting. Husmann said that Bader Park was having their annual meeting Monday, January 3, 2010 Methodist Church Fellowship Hall in Chapman at 7:30 p.m. Husmann said that Pat Carlson was asking for a 5% raise. Jefferson said that the hospital meeting had been postponed. Jefferson said that he would like to have Mike Bowman put on the agenda for the next meeting to answer questions the board has about the hospital. Wiegert will start his term on the Central District Health Board in January.

Officials Reports: Treasurer Dunham said the county received another payment on the bonds for the ethanol plant. They paid another \$10,000.00 on the second bond. The interest was \$7,025.00. Sheriff McPhillips told the board that he and the County Attorney had been named in a class action lawsuit on the behalf of the sex offenders of the county. Legislature has made sex offenders registration stiffer. McPhillips told the board about a meeting January 14, 2010 for emergency management. The University of Nebraska is working on a strategy for the federal grant program. The meeting will be at City Hall from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Jerry Wilhoft gave a copy of a resolution that will be put on the next agenda for the board to review and also handed out a summary on the spraying on the Platte River in 2009.

Camera: The Assessor's office is in need of a new camera. The digital camera they have now doesn't always work. The cost of the camera new was \$300.00. The camera that they are looking at is compatible with the GIS system that the Assessor is using. The cost of the new camera is \$971.00 and could be used by the Assessor's office, Planning and Zoning, and the weed department. The cost of the camera would be divided between the three departments and the amounts would depend on how much that department would be using the camera. The money from the Assessor and Planning and Zoning

would come out of their budget and the weed department would come out of the Miscellaneous budget in the General Fund and the board needs to approve this. Moved Weller, second Husmann to approve the purchase of the camera by the three departments and to have the weed portion of the purchase to come out of the miscellaneous budget of the General Fund. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Assessor Placke asked the board about a credit card for each office and the board asked that the credit cards be reviewed at the next meeting. County Clerk Wichmann asked Placke if the GIS system was close to being done because the County needs new plat books and Wichmann would like to have one done from the GIS system. Placke and Jennifer Myers said the GIS for the river is not done and is about two years from being done. They said that Hamilton County is not done yet. The north and south banks are done to Highway 14.

Insurance: Mark and Brandon Headrick with Federal Employee Benefits gave the board a review of their first diagnosis first lump sum plan. Headrick said the plan used to be for Federal employees only, but now they are offering it to state and county employees. They would like to give the employees a demonstration that would take eighteen minutes. There is no cost to the county because this is all private employee pay. The employees are not required to take this insurance. They would be available to give a presentation the second week in January. The premium would be \$15.00 a month or up depending on the restrictions. This insurance is for cancer or heart problems. Moved Weller, second Husmann to set up a presentation for the employees with the County Clerk. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Reorganization of extension board: Darrel Siekman, Extension Educator told the board that there are four people whose terms on the extension board are up. They are Wes Beck Jr., Jay Ferris, Lisa Maresch, and Russ Charron. Russ Charron said that he would like to serve again. Siekman said that Elton King, Lori Johnson, and Paul Jarecke are interested in serving on the extension board also. Moved Hahn, second Husmann to reappoint Russ Charron and appoint Elton King, Lori Johnson, and Paul Jarecke to the extension board. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Securities: County Clerk Wichmann passed around the securities report from the Pinnacle Bank for the boards review.

Sheriff's vehicle: The insurance company, NIRMA will pay \$9,000.00 for the wrecked sheriff vehicle, which is a 2005 Chevy Impala and has 86,000 miles on it. Sheriff McPhillips gave the board options for replacement. First option is to replace it with a refurbished or used vehicle. This would be a 2005 Ford Crown Victoria with everything but a radio for \$11,000.00 to \$12,000.00. The second option would be to replace it with a 2010 state issued Chevy Impala for \$19,435.00. The third option would be to replace it with another 4-wheel drive vehicle for \$23,500.00 to \$24,000.00. This would increase the 4-wheel drive fleet. The fourth option would be to use the 2003 Chevy patrol car that is ready to go and has 147,000 to 148,000 miles on it. McPhillips said he had gotten a bid for new patrol rifles for \$4,800.00 or \$800.00 per rifle. McPhillips said they are down two radar and three in car video systems and they have to be replaced because they are for safety and used for evidence. National Highway Safety will help fund 75% of the cost of the in car video system, so the county would pay between \$225.00 to \$300.00. McPhillips said that if the board would choose not to replace the car, he would use the insurance money for the rifles and the radar and in car video systems. Moved Euse, second Husmann to not replace the sheriff's vehicle. Roll Call: All Ayes. Moved Weller, second Husmann to accept the \$9,000.00 insurance payment from NIRMA for the wrecked vehicle. Roll Call: All Ayes. Moved Husmann, second Euse to give the sheriff authorization to use the insurance money to replace equipment.

McPhillips said that the jail standards review was good and that the fire marshal had told them to replace three fire extinguishers.

RESOLUTION: Treasurer Dunham presented a resolution that would give her authority to move money from the Inheritance Fund to the General Fund if needed. Moved Weller, second Husmann to approve and sign the RESOLUTION to move money from the Inheritance Fund to the General Fund if needed. Roll Call: All Ayes. This RESOLUTION is on file in the County Clerk's office for public viewing.

Interlocal agreement: An interlocal agreement between the City of Central City and Merrick County was presented for approval and signatures. This agreement is for dirt work and snow removal and is from November 1, 2009 through October 31, 2010. Moved Hahn, second Euse to approve and sign the interlocal agreement with the City of Central City. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Claims: The December 2009 claims were presented to the board for approval:

FUND	NAME	INVDESC	TOTCLAIMS
GENERAL			\$
	A & P PROCESS SERVICE	COURT COSTS	18.50
			\$
	DOROTHY D BENTON	ATTY FEES	2,073.75
			\$
	GARY BERRY	MILEAGE	154.00
			\$
	PAUL BEYER	CELL PHONE	30.00

PAUL BRILL	CELL PHONE	\$ 30.00
GEORGE E BRUGH	MH BOARD/MLG	\$ 535.10
CABLE NEBRASKA	CABLE TV SRVC	\$ 45.95
JESSIE CARLSON	MH BOARD	\$ 75.00
JANET CARSON	TRAVEL/POSTAGE	\$ 22.85
CARTRIDGE WORLD	SUPPLIES	\$ 43.17
CENTRAL CITY MALL	BEVERAGES	\$ 70.49
CENTRAL CITY MALL	SUPPLIES	\$ 21.92
CENTRAL DISTRICT HEALTH DEPARTMENT	HLTH CONTRACT	\$ 2,583.33
CENTRAL TRUE VALUE	SUPPLIES	\$ 11.38
CENTRAL TRUE VALUE	SUPPLIES	\$ 9.27
CENTRAL TRUE VALUE	SUPPLIES	\$ 14.89
CITY OF CENTRAL CITY/ UTILITIES	UTILITIES	\$ 1,907.81
CITY OF CENTRAL CITY	JAIL UTILITIES	\$ 85.57
CITY OF G.I. UTILITIES DEPT	UTILITIES	\$ 7.60
CLERK OF DISTRICT COURT/CC	COURT COSTS	\$ 331.16
THE CORNHUSKER,MARRIOTT HOTEL	LODGING	\$ 330.00
CORNHUSKER TOYOTA-HONDA	CAR REPAIR	\$ 17.20
CORNHUSKER, MARRIOTT HOTEL	LODGING	\$ 220.00
NE DAS COMMUNICATIONS	EQUIP RENTAL	\$ 448.00
EAKES OFFICE PLUS	SUPPLIES	\$ 11.99
EAKES OFFICE PLUS	SUPPLIES	\$ 25.08
EAKES OFFICE PLUS INC.	SUPPLIES	\$ 37.36
ECO WATER SYSTEMS	OFFICE WATER	\$ 114.00
ELECTION	POLL WORKER	\$ 510.12
NORMAN EUSE	MILEAGE	\$ 51.70
AMBER FRAUEN	SUMMER HELP	\$ 160.00
KACIE FRIEND	MLG/FEES	\$ 64.00
GALL'S INC.	UNIFORM SRVC	\$ 176.95
THERESA GOOD	MH BOARD/MLG	\$ 178.40

SCOTT GRAFTON	ATTY FEES	\$ 307.50
HALL COUNTY COURT	COURT EXPENSE	\$ 1.25
HAMILTON CO CLERK	COPIES	\$ 4.00
HAMILTON TELECOMMUNICATIONS	EQUIPMENT	\$ 64.95
HANSON GRIME STOPPERS	CLEANING SRVC	\$ 1,316.00
HERK'S WELDING SHOP	SUPPLIES	\$ 198.59
MARK HOGUE	CELL PHONE	\$ 30.00
HOLIDAY INN LINCOLN-DOWNTOWN	LODGING	\$ 594.00
HOMETOWN VARIETY	SUPPLIES	\$ 69.99
MIKE HUTCHINSON	PHONE/SUPPLY	\$ 41.72
JACKSON SERVICES	SERVICE SUPPLY	\$ 308.00
JENSEN PUBLISHING	PUBLICATION	\$ 89.60
JENSEN PUBLISHING	PUBLICATION	\$ 76.00
JENSEN PUBLISHING	SUPPLIES	\$ 118.00
JENSEN PUBLISHING	SUPPLIES	\$ 171.90
JENSEN PUBLISHING	SUPPLIES	\$ 106.20
JENSEN PUBLISHING/P&Z	PRINTING	\$ 4.84
PHILLIP JOHNSON	SUMMER HELP	\$ 160.00
JOURNAL PRINT SHOP/P&Z	PRINTING	\$ 15.12
JOURNAL PRINT SHOP	PUBLICATION	\$ 350.58
LEROY KLEVE	BLDG REPAIR	\$ 34.50
BRIAN KLUCK	MH BOARD	\$ 450.00
THOMAS L.KOVANDA	ATTY FEES	\$ 3,550.00
JENNIFER LANI	MILEAGE	\$ 363.55
LAW ENFORCEMENT SYSTEMS INC.	SUPPLIES	\$ 89.00
MARLENE S LEE	PT CLEANING	\$ 15.00
LEXISNEXIS	LAW LIBRARY	\$ 212.00
LITZENBERG/HOSPITAL OPERATING	OPERATION SUPP	\$ 8,333.33
LITZENBERG MEMORIAL HOSPITAL	PRISONERS BRD	\$ 3,433.50
LONE TREE MEDICAL ASSOCIATES	L.E. TRAINING	\$ 76.00

MCI	TELEPHONE	\$ 7.03
MCILNAY & CO	SUPPLIES	\$ 259.82
ANTHONY MCPHILLIPS	CELL PHONE	\$ 30.00
MERRICK CO. COURT	COURT COSTS	\$ 357.75
MERRICK CO. EXTENSION SERVICE	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 1,031.61
MERRICK CO. HIGHWAY DEPT.	PROP TX TRANS	\$ 65,967.09
MERRICK CO. TREASURER	POSTAGE/TAXES	\$ 823.78
CLIFFORD F MESNER	ATTY FEES	\$ 90.00
MID AMERICAN BENEFITS,INC	INS REIMBURSE	\$ 1,500.00
MIDWEST RADAR & EQUIPMENT	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 150.00
MIPS INC.	SUPPLIES	\$ 47.19
MIPS INC.	MICROFILMING	\$ 31,127.25
MIPS INC.	COMP SUPPORT	\$ 202.75
MIPS INC.	SUPPLIES	\$ 331.26
JENNIFER MYERS	TRAVEL	\$ 55.00
NACO	DUES-NACO	\$ 1,301.00
NATIONAL DIST. ATTORNEY'S ASSOC.	DUES	\$ 95.00
STATE OF NE/DEPT OF LABOR/BOILER PG	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 100.00
NE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES	WITNESS FEES	\$ 8.00
NT&T	ELEVATOR	\$
NT&T	PHONE	\$ 36.62
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 54.93
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 78.71
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 62.16
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 92.72
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 109.62
NT&T	COURTHOUSE	\$
NT&T	FAX	\$ 43.24
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 42.50
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 18.97
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 51.16
NT&T	PHONE	\$ 73.42

OFFICENET		\$
	SUPPLIES	44.66
OFFICENET,INC.		\$
	PAPER/SUPPLIES	978.09
ORKIN PEST CONTROL		\$
	PEST CONTROL	60.78
PALSER SERVICE		\$
	CAR REPAIR	24.00
JAN PLACKE		\$
	TRAVEL/MISC	145.32
PLATTE VALLEY COMM.		\$
	RADIO REPAIR	317.24
QWEST		\$
	TELEPHONE	50.69
SAMPSON, CURRY & TWISS P.C.		\$
	MISC EXPENSES	1,159.61
SCHINDLER ELEVATOR CORPORATION		\$
	ELEVATOR MAINT	1,776.00
CHRYSTINE D SETLIK		\$
	MH BOARD	1,034.00
STANARD APPRAISAL SERVICE, INC.		\$
	MISC APPRAISAL	4,880.00
STROMSBURG SOFT WATER		\$
	SUPPLIES	39.00
DAVID SULLIVAN		\$
	CELL PHONE	30.00
SVEHLA THOMAS RAUERT & GRAFTON PC		\$
	ATTY FEES	457.50
JAMES H TRUELL		\$
	MH BOARD	275.00
VILLAGE OF CHAPMAN/ELECTIONS		\$
	POLL RENT	50.00
REX WELLER		\$
	MILEAGE	66.00
MARCIA WICHMANN		\$
	TRAVEL/MEALS	592.66
ROGER WIEGERT		\$
	MILEAGE	70.40
JERRY D. WILLHOFT		\$
	CONTRACT SRVC	1,241.67
FLEET SERVICES		\$
	FUEL	1,359.76
XEROX CORPORATION		\$
	SUPPLIES	48.15
YORK CO. SHERIFF		\$
	COURT COSTS	18.50
TOTAL		\$
		149,869.27
ROADS		\$
	CULVERTS	3,676.00
ACE IRRIGATION & MFG., CO.		\$
	TELEPHONE	31.41
ALLTEL/ROADS		\$
	FUEL	1,198.05
ARCHER SUPPLY INC		\$
	FUEL	13,340.22
AURORA CO-OP ELEVATOR CO.		\$
	GRAVEL	3,303.00
BLACKSTRAP INC		\$

BOMGAARS	REPAIR/SUPPLY	53.06
		\$
CENTRAL CITY AUTO PARTS/ROADS	REPAIR/SUPPLY	62.66
		\$
CENTRAL TRUE VALUE/ROADS	EQUIP REPAIR	14.29
		\$
DINKEL'S IMPLEMENT CO	EQUIP RENTAL	35.60
		\$
GILBARCO INC	FUEL	17.00
		\$
GREEN LINE EQUIPMENT OF CC/ROADS	EQUIP REPAIR	3.59
		\$
JIM HAAG	MILEAGE	418.55
		\$
HANSEN INTERNATIONAL TRUCK INC	REPAIR/SUPPLY	324.10
		\$
HOLIDAY INN	LODGING	198.00
		\$
HUSKER CO-OP	FUEL	722.06
		\$
ISLAND SUPPLY WELDING CO.	SHOP SUPPLIES	58.13
		\$
J.I.L. ASPHALT PAVING CO.	ASPHALT	378.23
		\$
JACKSON LINEN SERVICE/ROADS	SUPPLIES	25.82
		\$
JENSEN PUBLISHING/ROADS	OFFICE SUPPLY	74.30
		\$
KIRKHAM MICHAEL	ENGINEER FEES	588.00
		\$
MERRICK CO. TREASURER	SALES TAX	11.48
		\$
MICHAEL MEYER	MLG/POSTAGE	714.45
		\$
NEBR. MACHINERY CO.	REPAIR/SUPPLY	114.13
		\$
NEBRASKA STATE FIRE MARSHAL	FUEL	120.00
		\$
NEBR. TRUCK CENTER, INC.	EQUIP REPAIR	32.64
		\$
LEE NEEL	MILEAGE	308.55
		\$
NT&T/SHOP	TELEPHONE	42.48
		\$
NT&T/ROADS	TELEPHONE	51.95
		\$
OVERLAND SAND & GRAVEL	GRAVEL	13,050.58
		\$
PALSER SERVICE/ROADS	TIRES	22.00
		\$
JOHN E PROSOSKI	LAND RENTAL	240.00
		\$
SAPP BROS. PETROLEUM	FUEL	1,199.50
		\$
SCOTT-VAN KEPPEL-BR	EQUIP REPAIR	6,824.67
		\$
SOURCEGAS,LLC	HEATING	326.38
		\$
SOUTHERN POWER DISTRICT	ELECTRICITY	318.78
		\$

	VILLAGE OF CHAPMAN	ELECTRICITY	40.45
			\$
	TOTAL		47,940.11
MEDICAL/RELIEF			
			\$
	DR. JOHN P. AHLSCHEDE	PRISONER MEDS	567.00
			\$
	LINDA GREGER	CONTRACT SRVC	135.00
			\$
	NORM'S U SAVE PHARMACY	PRISONER MEDS	91.64
			\$
	TOTAL		793.64
INSTITUTIONS			
			\$
	NE HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES	INSTITUTIONS	270.00
			\$
	TOTAL		270.00
JUVENILE DIVERSION			
			\$
	MERRICK CO DIVERSION	MISC EXPENSES	349.15
			\$
	RENE'E PETERSON	MILEAGE	313.50
			\$
	TOTAL		662.65
JUVENILE DIVERSION GRANT			
	UMC/SYMPHONY CHRISTMAS LIGHTS GONE	SYMPHONY LIGHT	\$ 500.00
			\$
	TOTAL		500.00
INHERITANCE			
			\$
	CENTRAL PLATTE RESOURCE	MOORES CREEK ANNUAL	3,398.08 \$
	GIS WORKSHOP	SUPPORT	1,925.00
			\$
	MIPS INC.	#9120885	2,477.22
			\$
	TOTAL		7,800.30
E911			
			\$
	FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS	E911 PHONE SRV	63.30
			\$
	GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS	E911 PHONE SRV	149.80
			\$
	NNTC	E911 PHONE SRV	139.14
			\$
	QWEST	E911 PHONE SRV	232.37
			\$
	QWEST	E911 PHONE SRV	805.66
			\$
	TOTAL		1,390.27

Moved Euse, second Wiegert to approve and pay the December 2009 claims as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Fees: The November 2009 fees from the Clerk of District Court, Sheriff, and County Clerk were presented to the board for approval and signatures. Moved Euse, second Husmann to approve the fees as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Payroll: The December 2009 payroll was presented to the board for approval and signatures: General: Gross: \$94,599.15 Net: \$69,120.43 Roads: Gross: \$43,776.31 Net: \$28,793.31 Juvenile Diversion: Gross: \$2,394.00 Net: \$2,021.97.

Moved Husmann, second Wiegert to approve and sign the December 2009 payroll as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Moved Euse, second Husmann to adjourn at 11:57 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/John Jefferson, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk